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Firemen save secretary —trapped in tight bluejeans

She stuffed herself into the skintight denims — and then couldn't get them off!

By JOE BERGER

Sexy secretary Catherine Carra wriggled and wormed her way into a pair of skintight bluejeans at a risky boutique — then squirmed in agony for 40 minutes as firemen fought to get her out!

"Jeans are no good unless they're tight," curvy Catherine, 28, told reporters in Paris, France.

"But I learned it's not smart to carry things too far," she added.

The comic drama began when fashion-conscious Catherine slipped into a dressing room to try on a pair of designer jeans imported from America.

"They were so snug it took me 10 minutes just to pull them up.

"And I thought I was going to look very chic in them," the shapely lady said later.

"But when I got them zipped up and snapped, they were so tight I couldn't breathe.

"I tried to get them off and suddenly realized I was stuck in them."

A startled saleslady tried to help a hand, then called fire fighters when it became obvious her customer was in agony.

"The minute we walked in, we knew this was going to be the strangest problem we ever tackled — and we've had some weird ones," said dumbfounded fireman Maurice Hutin.

"The girl was hurting so bad her face was red, but both she and the clerk insisted that we not destroy those expensive jeans.

"We also had the problem of preserving the lady's modesty. We had to work in a room with a glass door and usage with their most sophisticated tools, then decided more drastic measures were in order.

"Finally, I told them to go ahead and cut the seams, that I'd pay for the repairs," embarrassed Catherine recalled. "By then I'd had as much as I could stand."

With the gentleness of a surgeon, fireman Hutin sliced the tight trousers loose with a pair of wire cutters.

The grateful lady then dashed into the dressing room to slip into something more comfortable.

"I'm just happy it's over," said the clothes-crazy secretary.

"I never dreamed a pair of jeans could be so scrumptious, but I'll never wear them again."

Here's good news for redheads

Redheads are no more susceptible to skin cancer than people with other colorings, according to a new study.

In fact, according to researchers at the University of Colorado, people with fair skin that tans slowly, himale or

malignant melanomas. It disproved the popular belief that redheads are most susceptible.

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12-year-old dies during operation to make him look 'normal'

Tragedy of the boy with the big ears!

TRAGIC Simon Boot, 12, died because he was teased constantly about his ears.

By DICK DONOVAN

None of his classmates are taunting little Simon Boot about his "sticking-out ears" anymore. Instead, they're shedding tears of sorrow and shame — because the outcast they treated so cruelly now lies dead in his grave!

The 12-year-old boy died in London's Queen Elizabeth Military Hospital where surgeons had hoped to transform him into what he had wanted to be more than anything else in the world — just a regular kid . . . one who didn't stand apart from the crowd.

Simon was a perky imp blessed with freckles on his nose, mischief in his eyes and a shy little-boy smile.

But he had ears that jutted out just a bit too far — an awful misstep of nature that brought him nothing but misery and pain.

Simon called them "my sticking-out ears" and the hateful taunts and names they sparked from the other kids in his home village of Canterbury were a heavy cross for his little shoulders to bear.

"Simon would get upset when the other children teased him," said his 40-year-old dad Duncan, a sergeant in the British Army. "He had reached the age when that sort of thing bothered him.

"His ears weren't huge, but they were noticeable . . . and there's no one crueler than kids."

Cruel classmates who teased him constantly are sorry now

Finally, tragic little Simon pleaded with his parents to allow him to have the plastic surgery he believed would make everything right — and would transform him into just an ordinary looking kid.

Simon was overjoyed when he learned he would get his chance at a normal life.

It was to have been relatively minor surgery and Dennis and Denise were nervous but not overly worried about the outcome.

Then, a nurse brought the harrowing news that something had gone terribly wrong — Simon had suffered a violent reaction to the anesthetic and had plunged into a coma.

He was taken to the intensive care unit where he died without having regained consciousness.

In his old neighborhood and in the playground and classroom where Simon was shunned by his peers, things are pretty much the same as they were before he died . . . with one exception.

The kids aren't taunting Simon Boot about his "stick-

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Fast cars make a roaring comeback

Muscle cars are being produced at rates unrivaled since the 1960s — and insurance rates are skyrocketing as a result!

"It's happening all over again," said Brian O'Neill, head of the Insurance Institute for Highway Safety.

"Manufacturers are emphasizing performance to sell cars, but some of these cars are becoming prohibitive to insure.

"If we [insurance rates] that drive the muscle cars of the 1960s off the market, and it will happen again. We'll just kill some people in the meantime."

Leading producers of high-powered supercars are the Italian firms Lamborghini and Ferrari. Porsche has developed the 959, a car that reaches speeds in excess of 190 m.p.h. and costs $250,000.

Ferrari actually has a car that will top 200. It's called the F40 and costs $400,000.

Both Ford and Chevrolet market V-8 powered cars that are capable of attaining speeds of better than 140 m.p.h.

And Chrysler, which last year bought Lamborghini, the Italian maker of exotic cars, is preparing a Lamborghini V-12 for Formula One racing.

Amazing Cheetah Boy can outrun a truck!

By RAGAN DUNN

Park rangers clock him at 70 m.p.h.

Park rangers claim to have clocked an amazing Cheetah Boy at speeds up to 70 m.p.h. as he streaked across an African plain!

"We were in trucks and we still couldn't keep up with him," ranger Amin Bhukoli told reporters in Dar-es-Salaam, Tanzania.

"The boy couldn't have been more than 14 or 15 years old," he added. "But he was long-legged, muscular and obviously had a great fear of men.

"In fact, we've been calling him the 'Cheetah Boy.' Cheetahs are the fastest animals on earth and not even they could outrun him."

Bhukoli said that he and three other rangers spotted the Cheetah Boy while on routine patrol in the Serengeti National Park.

They originally thought the youth was lost. But when they approached in their trucks he turned and ran — leaving them in his dust.

"I thought I was hallucinating but my partners saw him, too," said Bhukoli. "We took off after him and drove flat out. But just when it looked like we might be gaining on him, he would shoot off to one side just like a wild animal would.

"We finally gave up."

Hastily snapped photos of the Cheetah Boy were not clear enough to make an identification but they do prove that he is human, said Bhukoli.

Oddly enough, rumors that an abandoned baby was being raised by cheetahs have circulated on and around the Serengeti for years.

"I never believed those stories before but now I'm beginning to wonder," said Bhukoli.

"If the boy wasn't raised by big cats, how did he learn to be so elusive — to run so fast?"

Little cherub abandoned behind church altar

By SUSAN JIMISON

Churchgoers were astounded when they responded to the cries of a child coming from behind a church altar — and discovered an adorable toddler abandoned there.

The little boy, about 18 months old, wore a gold bracelet with the name Austin. He was found in the sanctuary of San Francisco's St. Dominic's Church at about 8 a.m. while Mass was being celebrated in the adjoining chapel.

"He cried through the Mass and people kept looking around wondering why the mother wasn't doing something," said Rev. LaSalle Hallaway, pastor of the church. "Someone finally got annoyed enough to check."

Members of the congregation found the little boy, dressed in blue overalls, yellow socks and multicolor sneakers, lying near the sanctuary altar. He had no identification other than the bracelet.

"There was no note, no bag of clothing," said Michael Hancock, an investigator for the San Francisco Department of Social Services.

"We got out press releases about him to try to locate his mother."

Publicity and police investigations eventually established the dark-haired baby's identity, but Hancock said he wasn't permitted to divulge anything about the little boy's background.

"There were special circumstances," he said. "The boy has been placed with relatives and he's doing fine. Later on, officials will decide whether he should go back to his mother."

A SOCIAL worker cuddles baby "Austin," who was found crying in a church sanctuary in San Francisco with no identification. Police have since worked down the toddler's family.

Cheese thief leaves prints

Convicted burglar Francis Shorten might be a free man today if he hadn't broken into a house — and stolen a bite of cheese.

When Shorten chomped down on the cheese, he left his mouth print for police. Shorten, 43, was jailed for nine months in Bodmin Crown Court in England.

Weirdo caller tricks women into cutting off their hair

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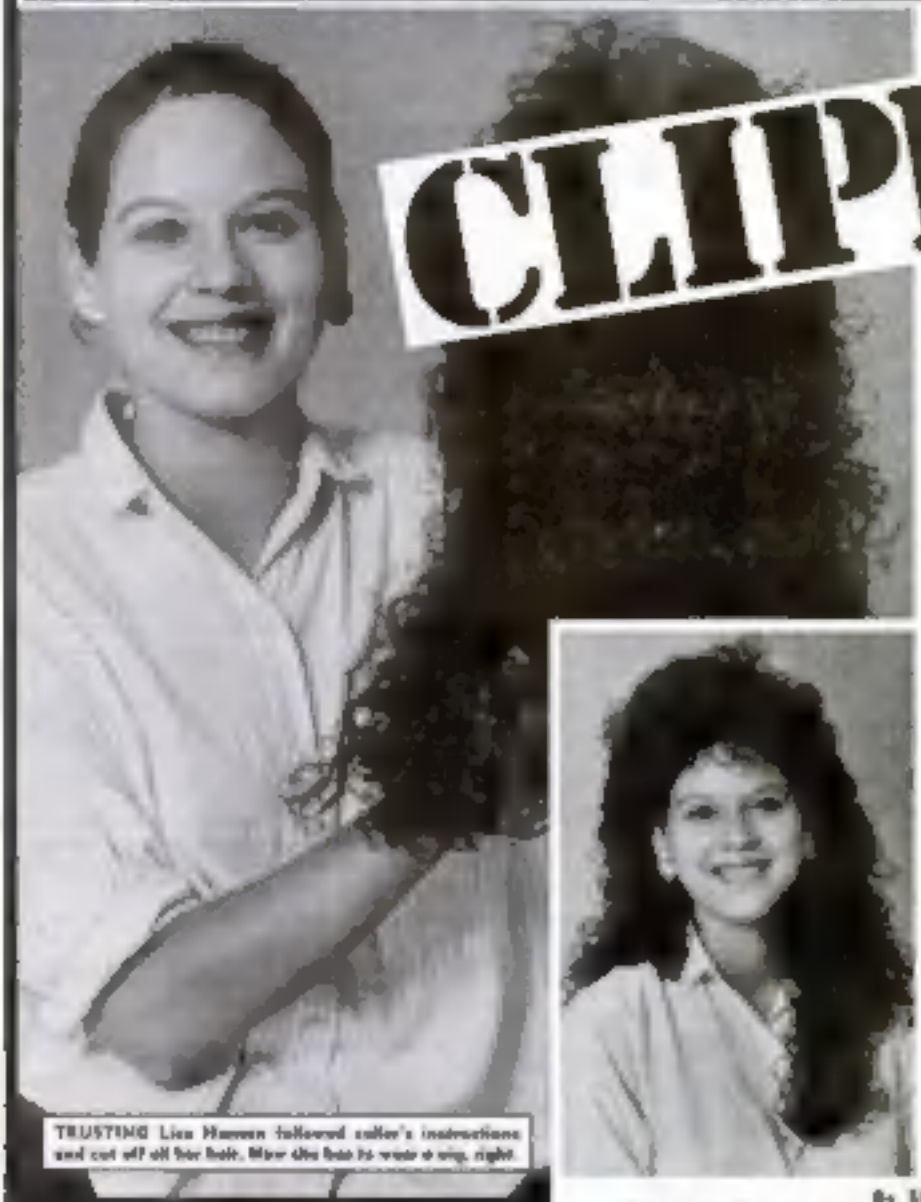

TRUSTING Lisa Hansen followed caller's instructions and cut off all her hair. Now she has to wear a wig, right.

By SUSAN JAMISON

Gullible Lisa Hansen was one of several unsuspecting women who got phone calls from a strange man — and wound up bald.

The caller told the poor woman she had been exposed to a dangerous toxic chemical and experts needed samples of her hair so they could run tests to evaluate her condition.

Before she realized something was pulling her leg, the Bismarck, N. Dakota, woman had shipped off all the hair on her head. Now she has to wear a wig to cover her bare pate.

"I am really embarrassed," said Mrs. Hansen, one of at least six women who got really freaky the weirdo hoaxer. "I don't want this to happen to anyone else."

Authorities say the victims — all women ranging in age from 21 to 41 — described the caller as totally believable. The man identified himself as an employee of a local hospital and seemed to know a great deal about the women he was speaking to.

"He told them they had been chemically contaminated by someone in their family," Detective Jim Anderson of the Bismarck Police Department told The NEWS. "He said they had to supply hair samples, that they had to cut all their hair off.

"Some of the women did it, some didn't. We're investigating the case, but we haven't gotten very far."

The hair hoax was cleverly done, police say. In every instance the man, who identified himself as a medical worker, used a similar technique.

In Lisa Hansen's case, the man said that her husband — from whom she was separated — had been admitted to the hospital with PCB contamination. He said doctors were worried she might be contaminated, too, and asked her to cut off a two-inch square swatch of hair from the front of her head.

"Cut close to the scalp," he said, according to his victim.

Then he instructed her to cut a second swatch and a third.

This continued until he had succeeded in getting her to trim every hair on her head.

Then he laughed and told her it was all a joke.

"She'd cut down to a very short man's haircut, but it certainly wasn't a professional looking job," said Lyla Lundal, who sold Mrs. Hansen and two other women wigs to cover their embarrassing haircuts.

"It's definitely very short. It will be at least three months before these women can go without wigs."

Marines hedge on security with razor-sharp shrubs

The Marines have planted a security hedge with razor-sharp thorns — strong enough to stop a speeding Jeep.

"Once the hedgerow is fully grown, you'd have to use a chain saw or explosives to get in or out," said Lt. Col. Stephen Shivers.

About 80,000 of the painful plants have been planted at the Marine air station at Cherry Point, N.C., to increase security around flight lines, storage areas and explosives.

The plant's scientific name is trifoliate orange. But the Marines have nicknamed it P.T., which stands for pain and tor-

Snoring cure

Chinese scientists have developed a cure for snoring. The nasal drops are made of natural ingredients and are said to be 95 percent effective. The drops are now in production and will be exported soon, the China Daily newspaper reports.

Fireman gives bird mouth-to-mouth resuscitation

By JOE BERGER

A pitiful little birdie named Bobby lay helpless and dying on the bottom of his cage till frantic fireman Ken Markwell rushed in and saved his life — with mouth-to-mouth resuscitation!

"The poor little fellow looked so pathetic conked out there in the middle of all that smoke, but I knew I couldn't just let him die," kindhearted Ken told reporters in Throckley, England.

"I'd never given the kiss of life to a bird before, but I decided to give it a try. I'm just delighted it worked."

The pint-size parakeet was alone in the apartment he shares with mistress Maureen Burn when thieves broke in and ransacked the flat.

The creeps carted off two TVs, a microwave oven and a slew of jewelry — then set the place ablaze on their way out.

By the time gentle Ken and his fellow firemen arrived, black smoke was billowing through the apartment.

"When I saw Bobby in his cage, he was just lying there looking very dead," Ken recalled. "I thought he had been roasted alive.

"But when I rushed the cage outside, I saw a slight movement. I picked him up as carefully as I could and started blowing air into his little mouth — and to my time of all he was awake and chirping like nothing ever happened."

Crazed dogs are killing Chinese

A rampaging, savage horde of 200,000 wild dogs is maiming and killing men, women and children in the central provinces of China, and the government appears helpless to halt the ravage.

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Russian nuke disaster produces Siamese twins

By SUSAN HANSON

Worried authorities are blaming the nuclear disaster at Chernobyl for an alarming increase in the number of deformed babies born recently in Turkey.

The newest of the tragic births — Siamese twins born to Fatma Soner, 32, and her husband Ahmet — took place in the village of Beşpınkey near the Russian border. That area of Turkey was heavily affected by fallout from the near meltdown, authorities say.

"We have had alarming numbers of spontaneous abortions, deformed fetuses and tragic birth defects," a spokeswoman for the government health service in Istanbul told a Turkish newspaper. "These tragic pregnancies and births are almost certainly the after-effects of nuclear fallout.

"From what we are seeing, we must conclude that the damage lingers in the environment and will continue to affect mothers and fetuses for some time to come."

Fatma Soner, a mother of five daughters, finally gave birth to the sons she had longed for only to learn that they were joined at the head. The boys, Ahmet and Mehmet, were delivered by cesarean section on July 5 and seem to be doing well. Doctors say the babies can be separated when they are older and stronger and probably will go on to lead normal lives.

"We are proud of our sons, but very upset to think that the Russian mistake at Chernobyl could threaten their future," said the boys' father. "They are the innocent victims of stupidity and incompetence.

"We are hoping the boys can be separated without harm, but if God has other plans we will accept it."

The boys' birth follows numerous tragic deliveries of two-headed babies, deformed infants and other conjoined twins, Turkish officials say.

PATHETIC Siamese twins, joined at the head, were latest in deformed births reported in area of heavy fallout.

TURKISH farmer Ahmet Soner holds tragic Siamese twins born to his wife. The attending physician stands behind the dad.

A UFO follows her home!

Terrified Margaret Wilson says she was followed home the other night — by a UFO!

The shop clerk from Eastleigh, England, told officials that she and a friend were traveling down the highway in her car when a 70-foot-high spacecraft zoomed in and began trailing them. She said they traveled 80 miles with the bizarre ball of light behind them.

When the pair arrived at Margaret's house they ran inside and watched for two hours as the UFO hovered outside the house.

"I couldn't believe it," said Margaret after the craft had zoomed away. "It was like nothing I'd seen before."

The woman reported the sighting to the Ministry of Defense.

"We'll check it out," said a spokesman for the agency. "There are a lot of queer things in the sky."

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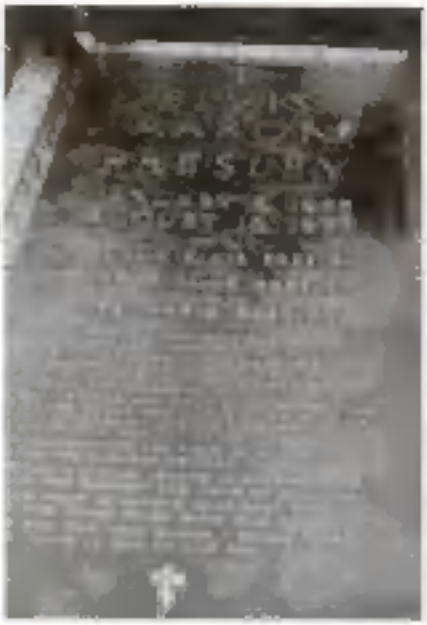

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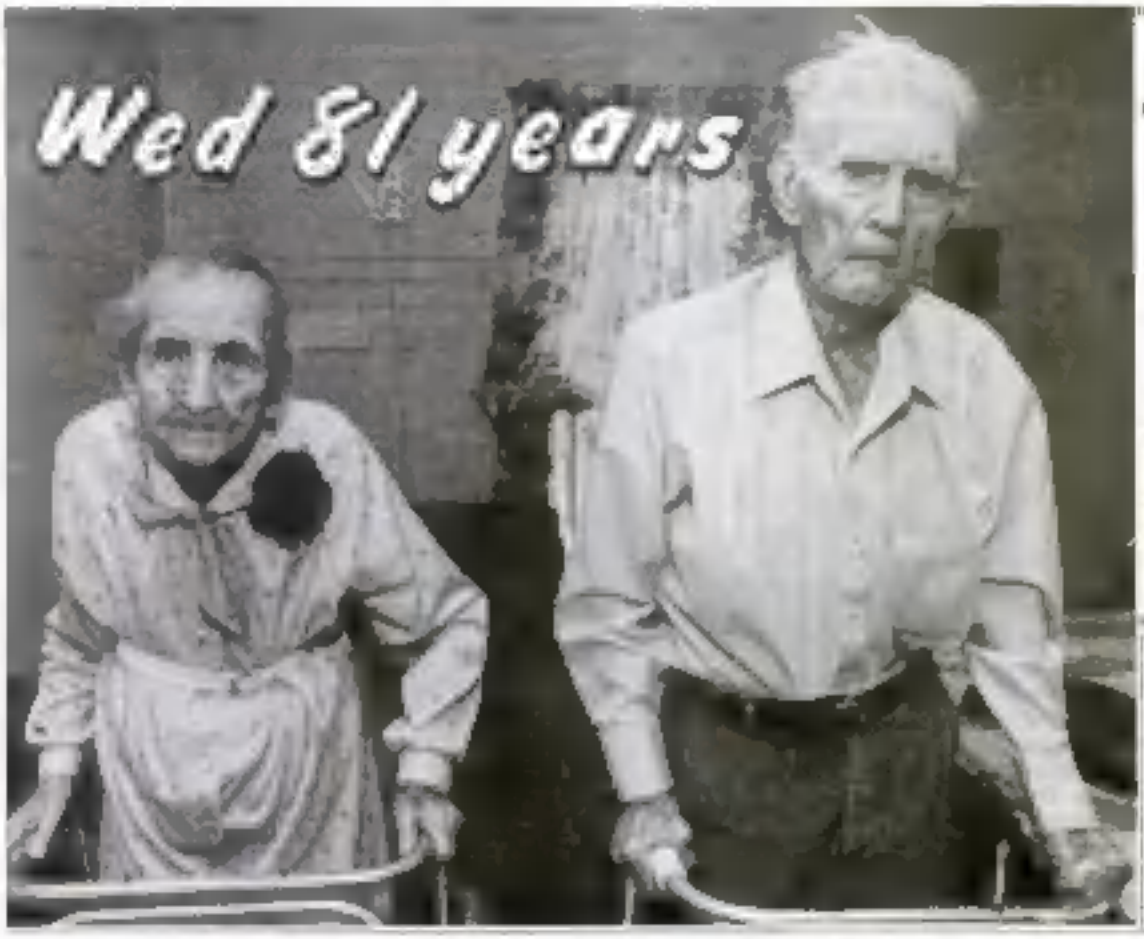

. . . and love is still in bloom!

The longest married couple in the nation pose for their picture on their 81st wedding anniversary at their home in Knoxville, Ga. The happily married couple produced 13 children, 30 grandchildren and they have more than 100 great-grandchildren.

Who won?

A 20-year-old man settled an argument with his girlfriend by shooting himself 13 times in the head with a pellet gun, say New York City cops.

Joseph Puccio's wounds, termed minor, were bandaged at Jamaica Hospital before his transfer to Queens Medical Center for psychiatric evaluation, police said.

Space expert tells his wife during custody fight:

I'll put the kids in orbit before you get them!

He nearly pulled it off with a homemade rocket, cops say

By RAGAN BUNN

A rocket scientist planned to launch his children into outer space rather than let his wife take custody of them after they were divorced!

Incredibly, police said Dr. Axel Leboek came closer to carrying out his scheme than his wife and the authorities would like to think.

He allegedly smuggled almost $1 million in rocket parts from a top aeronautics firm and was actually assembling the spaceship in a field behind his farm.

"It's hard to imagine but the man was dead serious about putting his two children in orbit," Inspector Peter Kasting told reporters in Marl, West Germany.

"He stole hundreds of parts and components from his employer. He had a complete engine in his barn just waiting to be installed when we caught him."

Dr. Leboek didn't deny the theft or his alleged intentions. He told reporters that he was dead set against his estranged wife taking custody of their children and was willing to go to any lengths to prevent it.

"I have nothing to apologize for," said the 35-year-old scientist.

"Everybody knows that the mother gets the children when a couple divorces.

"I just couldn't let that happen — not without a fight, anyway."

The expert was charged with grand theft of the rocket parts and released from jail on his own recognizance. His children, Marta, 12, and Jorn, 11, were unavailable for comment.

But Stefanie Leboek, his 32-year-old wife, lashed out at her husband's plan to launch their children into space "was yet another example of the lunacy" that prompted her to seek a divorce in the first place.

"Axel lives in a dream world," said Mrs. Leboek. "I have no doubt that he would have risked the children's lives to put them into space.

"He doesn't care about anybody or anything — only himself."

The couple's divorce is expected to become final in early November. Their children, who had been living with Dr. Leboek, have been sent to their mother by a judge's order.

How the scientist planned to launch the makeshift rocket will never be known, officials said.

But aeronautical engineer Wilhelm Vom said the craft almost undoubtedly would have flown.

"Dr. Leboek is a brilliant scientist and if he felt like the rocket would fly, I'm sure it would have," he said.

"Of course, the object of manned flight isn't merely to get people into space. Somehow you have to get them back.

"And I don't think he could have done that with the equipment he was able to steal from the plant."

Con falls out of bed — and sues

A Maine State Prison inmate has filed a $50,000 suit against a guard, claiming the guard startled him and caused him to injure his neck — when he fell out of his bunk onto the floor.

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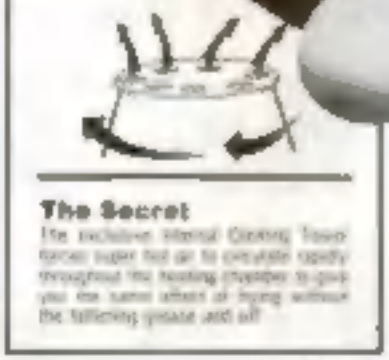

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HOG-WILD HOUSEWIFE

By JACK ALEXANDER

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Her spacious trailer home in Sun Valley, Nev., is stuffed with a staggering variety of the cute little fake porkers — 1,000 of 'em.

"Wherever your eyes fall, there's a pig," said swinging Elaine, 38.

People don't think about pigs until they meet someone like me.

The prize piece of sheriff her is a $1,000 pig chapeau, buttressed by a pink stocking chair. She has pig dolls, pig pillows, pig towels, pig soaps, pig lotions, pig nightlights and pig corn cob holders.

Her kooky collection includes a picture of Miss Piggy, a cat painted in a "Pig Power" costume, a T-shirt depicting two pigs with the caption, "I Love You Wow! You Talk Dirty," and, of course, piggy banks.

"Everything I do revolves around pigs," she said. "If I go to the store I have a pig spoon holder. It's been a joy. It really has."

Her husband, Tony, isn't hog-wild about his wife's offbeat fascination with pigs. He and I play her swine under-foot. So what's new? We're used to it. Besides, I'm a bachelor and his mother-in-law is always sending them to him," said Elaine. He put a quick stop to that.

The pigs are a big part of Elaine's life, but she would shack them all in a minute for the "Same Boy" in her life. Unfortunately, the job seems to be taken.

She has toyed with the idea of opening a pig museum with stamps she's won, but she abandoned each one. And she has considered writing a book.

"I've tried to share the pigs' antics at times and found I couldn't do that," she said. "It would strip their personalities bare. What's left to...

PIG fan Elaine Kasyder with some of her collection of piggy trinkets

Kooky pig lover has 1,000 stuffed porkers

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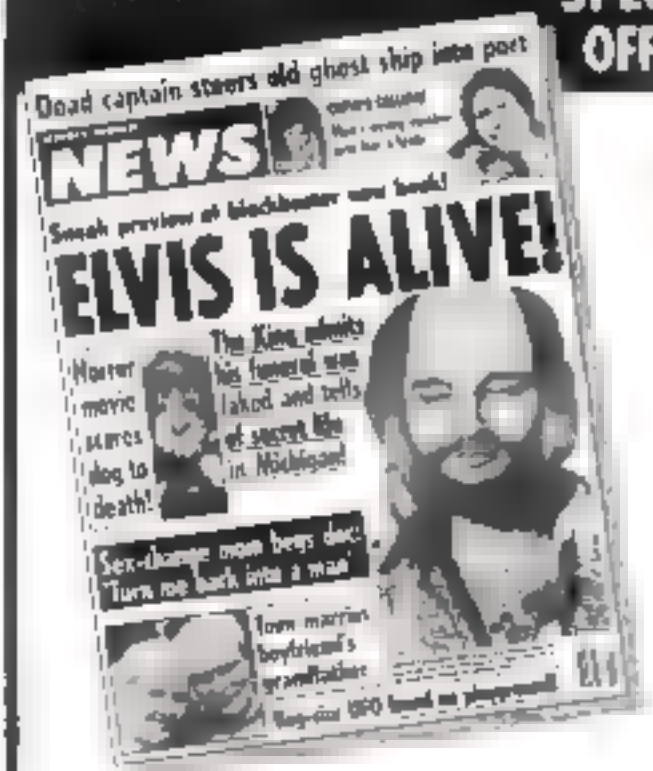

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MICHAEL JACKSON'S FACE IS MELTING

This week's wackiest celeb tale: A London tabloid quotes an unnamed doctor as saying that rock star Michael Jackson's reshaped face is melting.

According to the mystery doc, the bone grafts that surgeons used to erect the superstar's new features aren't absorbing enough calcium and minerals. The result is that this structure is beginning to crumble, causing his face to slide down like mud on an L.A. hillside during a rainstorm.

"His face is degenerating and he could be left horribly deformed," claims the unidentified doctor in the shocking report.

If this horror continues, warns the doc, Mike's flesh will begin to drip and ooze — unless he undergoes a new series of operations to repair the crumbling plastic surgery.

"Apparently, his nose is already showing slight signs of de-cohesionization. It was rebuilt with a bone graft so that it was spacious and sharp. But there are signs that it is now rounding off at the tip.

"Jackson will have to have new surgery, because it's not as if his face would fall back into its old shape. The basic bone structure he had before simply isn't there to fall back on any more." — *London Sun*

★ ★ ★

Smart-aleck funny guy **David Letterman** got caught with egg on his face while making a wisecrack about the recent death of Art Rooney Sr., beloved owner of the Pittsburgh Steelers football team.

Thinking he was being a tough cat, Dave said on his show: "It's terribly sad, and there's a little controversy surrounding the because he died during the exhibition season — as does it could!"

Apparently what counted was that folks thought wiseguy Dave was in bad taste. So he's had to say he's sorry.

"It was not my intention to defame the memory of a fine man. It was poor judgment. My heartfelt apologies to them," said Dave.

Guess some folks can't take a joke. — *Sunday Herald*

★ ★ ★

L.A. Law heartthrob Corbin Bernsen credits jogging with helping him land his plum role as sleazy divorce lawyer Arnie Becker on the hit TV show.

Corbin says he completely bombed when he first read for the role of Arnie at an audition. He says he was a struggling actor in New York at the time and couldn't get the feel of a Los Angeles lawyer-playboy.

Shortly after, he moved back to L.A.

"I had read the script for the *L.A. Law* pilot three or four times, and I was thinking about it during my run," he recalls.

"What Becker was like. How he acted. How he dressed. How he treated other people — especially women.

"Suddenly, it clicked. I stopped at the city, and I understand Arnie Becker."

Corbin auditioned it back in a phone, called the studio and begged Bigelow for a chance to read for the part again.

And the rest is show biz history, folks. — *Your Health*

★ ★ ★

Mayor Van Dan Jones Dan Johnson reportedly flipped his lid during a trip to London, when English photogs caught him squiring about a mystery blonde beauty.

"All we want is a quiet time together," snapped Dan at the park. "We don't need you . . . tagging along."

The identity of the beauty was never discovered. But from the way Dan was acting, she couldn't have been his sister, sure was pretty.

"They were holding hands and kissing and cuddling in the car, but as soon as they stepped out, they moved apart," said the manager. — *London Sun*.

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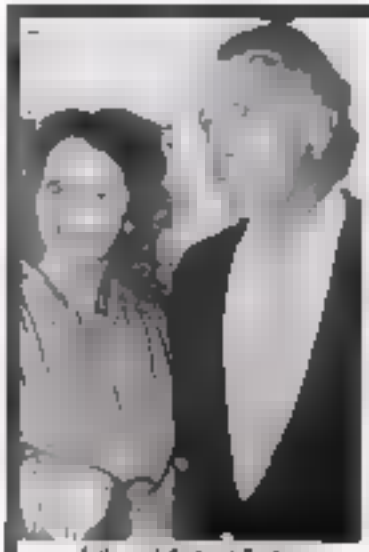
It's feud time between soaring rock superstar George Michael and fading rocker Boy George.

Poor George is running around try-

Mystery doc warns if rocker's plastic surgery crumbles he will end up looking like a monster!



Eddy and Richard Burton

Liz still loves Dick, says Burton's widow

Richard Burton's pretty widow Sally says Liz Taylor has never gotten over Dick, but he was one guy she's no dreamed her a second time.

"Elizabeth believes the Great Love story, I'm sure of that," says Sally.

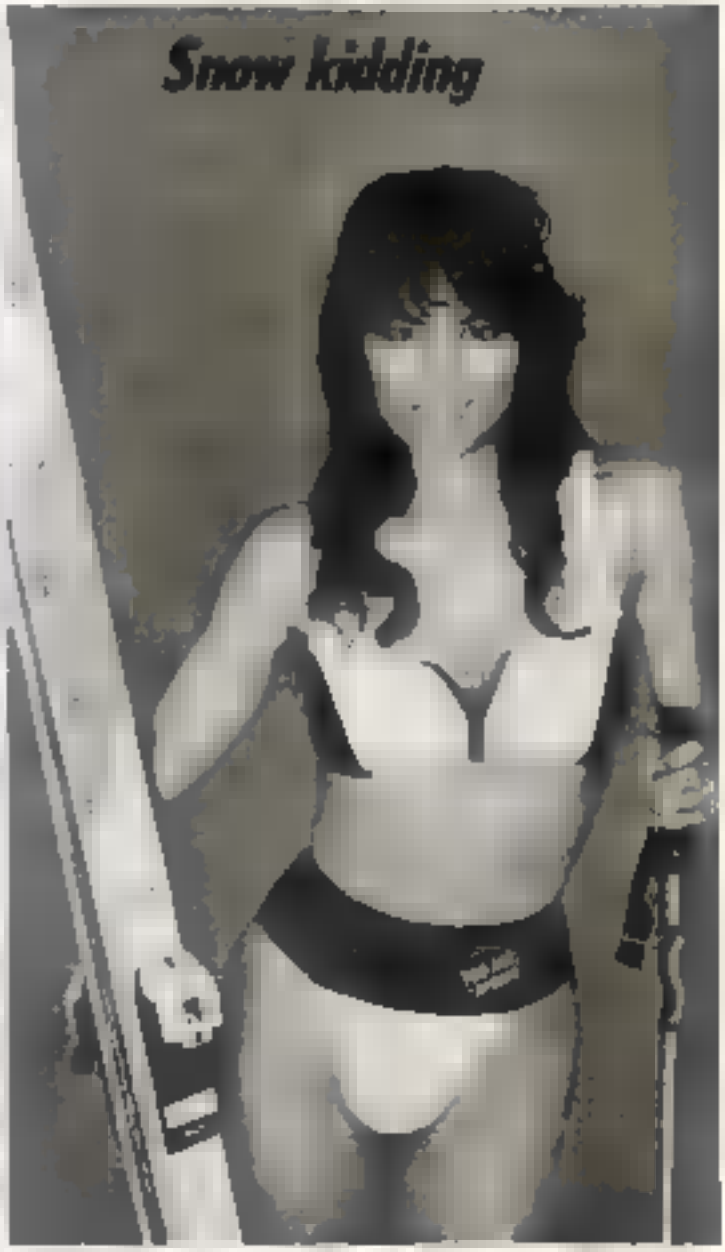
It's how the world considers the feels and feels it. She's still in love with him and believes that Richard was said to love with her, which he wasn't. Richard was the sort of man who, if he'd felt that way, would have done something about it. He would have left me and gone to be with Elizabeth."

According to Sally, Dick only had a second time because he felt guilty over running off and leaving his family when he had her the first time.

"Richard expected a lot in his first marriage to Elizabeth," she says. "It had meant leaving his first wife Sybil and leaving the children he loved dearly to be with her. So when it didn't work out, there was still that nagging feeling that perhaps he had made a mistake. Maybe he should have worked at it harder . . . He had to go back to Liz a second time to make sure it wasn't right to prove to himself once and for all he'd made

Elizabeth Taylor

the right decision. . . . As it was, he cleared himself and cleansed his conscience of Elizabeth once and for all." — Women's Wear



Starlet Tawi Snow rinses on the ski slopes on this hot, warm weather ski outfit.

My royal fling wrecked my life, says Koo Stark

Koo Stark

...national, gal-loving guy since Lucky Boy insisted that he was gay.

"I think it's a shame that he made a switch at me, because I've always kind of liked him," said Georgia of the brazen Boy. "I've always admired his strength of character. But I don't really call what he's been doing strength of character." — New York Post.

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In a shocking confession, former skin-flick actress Koo Stark revealed that her torrid fling with England's Prince Andrew wrecked her life.

"It was the most destructive thing in my life — in every area of my life," sighed the leggy, dark-haired beauty. "The amount of attention and pressure on the became unbearable. It was a nightmare."

The passionate romance between the charming Prince — dubbed "Randy Andy" for his playboy ways — and the young actress who had starred in a soft porn movie rocked the royal family and mesmerized gossip-lovers worldwide.

But for Koo, the romance led to heartbreak and bewilder. Andy ended up [illegible] ...

...heap of trouble. Koo says her 16-month relationship with Andy caused her to be put on the FBI hit list, her phone was tapped, her mail opened and her privacy was totally destroyed by publicity.

As to her reactions to Andy's marriage to cheesy Sarah Ferguson, she said:

"Any time you have been close to someone in your life, when you find there is none of celebrations in their life, you are obviously happy for them. I was happy." — London Daily Mirror

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It's over grapes time for English actor Jeremy Irons, who costarred with Robert De Niro in The Mission. Jeremy gripes that he had the romantic lead in the hit film, Out of Africa all wrapped up, but director Sidney Pollack he voted on giving the role of Meryl Streep's lover to sweeper star Robert Redford.

Jeremy says he was "the right age, the right personality" to play the Englishman-white hunter.

"I also knew that Redford didn't really want to act any more and I knew that he was too old," grumbled Jeremy.

"But Pollack wanted Redford's name to pull people in.

"He wanted a star."

Sidney couldn't have been all wrong. The film won the Oscar for best pix. — New York Post.

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Zany rock star Elton John held a mini garage sale for all of his wayout stage sets and costumes and pulled in a staggering $5 million.

A bizarre array of bauble, baggies, platform shoes, weird eyeglasses and splashy outfits was auctioned off at London's famed Sotheby's.

One bidder walked off with a towering pink Eiffel Tower hat for a measly $5,000.

Another $6,600 bid bought a silver pair of platform boots that gave Elton an extra six inches when he stomped across a concert stage.

Someone walked off with a gaudy pair of 3-foot-high work shoes for a

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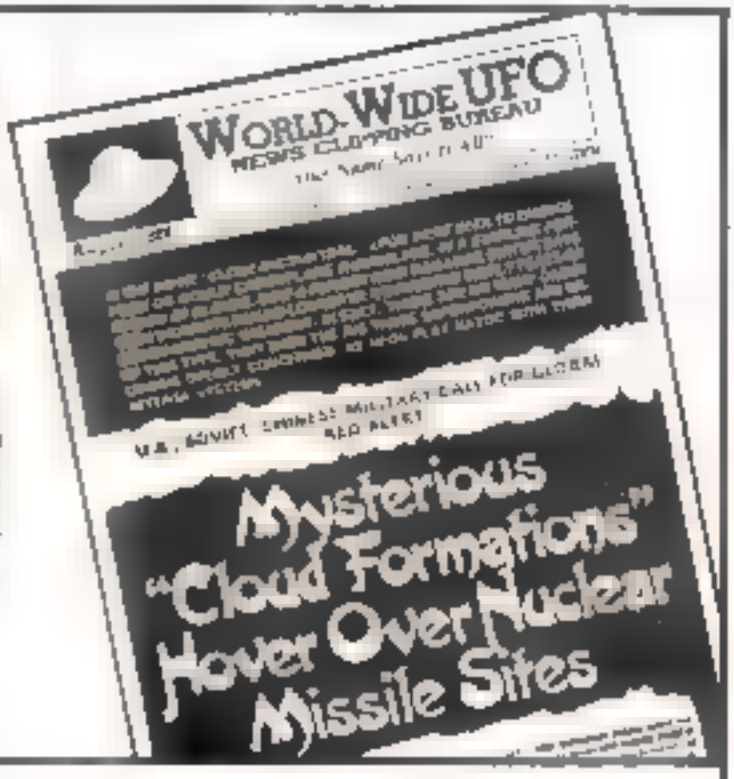

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I'M NO BIMBO!

By PETE COOK

Prosecutor Brenda Taylor doesn't take kindly to being called a bimbo — and she especially doesn't like it when her bosses are doing the name-calling!

The blonde former model filed a complaint against the State Attorney's Office in Fort Lauderdale, Fla., claiming her supervisor told her she "looked, acted and talked like a bimbo," and then fired her.

"I was shocked," Miss Taylor told *The NEWS*.

The 33-year-old prosecutor said the bizarre verbal attack took place during a job review of her first six months.

Miss Taylor said most of the criticism leveled at her by boss John Countryman had to do with her wardrobe.

"He told me that I give the appearance of being a manhunter and that I got the defense attorneys all excited," she said. "He gave me 30 days to become the kind of prosecutor he expects me to be."

A week later, Miss Taylor was fired, following local newspaper reports about her battle with the boss.

Miss Taylor works out five days a week with a lady trainer and said she sees nothing wrong with wearing "sexy" outfits or miniskirts while in court.

"Nobody ever told me when I became an attorney I had to wear a long gray skirt, ruffled blouse and bow tie," she said.

"I have suits, expensive suits, but they just don't look right on me, and I don't feel comfortable in them," said Miss Taylor, who prefers the sexy designer outfits she buys in New York. "I dress in a fashionable and professional manner, but maybe not in a conventional manner."

The prosecutor responded to the negative job evaluation by filing a complaint with the Broward County human relations board.

"She's been subjected to an antiquated and narrow-minded attitude of women," said her lawyer, Milton Hirsch.

Lady lawyer fights for her right to wear sexy short skirts

Miss Brenda Taylor didn't think the things bigwigs publicly interpreted from her courtroom performance

Judge tells crook: You'd make more on welfare

Courtroom spectators were stunned when a judge advised a bank robber to give up his life of crime — and go on welfare so he could make more money.

Justice John McPherson of Brisbane, Australia, told admitted robber Patrick Burke he was so bad at robbing banks that he'd be better off on the dole.

"It is extremely unusual for me to engage in offenses of this kind," Judge McPherson said.

The judge's unorthodox opinion pointed out that the 34,000 Burke got up his last robbery netted up to only $2,000 each — he split the booty with his partners in crime — and that didn't count the price of the shotgun Burke used during the holdup.

Burke could have earned $4,000 from welfare during the time he devoted to his crime spree, Judge McPherson said.

And now that 25-year-old Burke faces seven years in jail, it could obviously prove a good deal for the crook if he had stayed home on paper, pleasured during the time he'd be in the slammer, he'd be $20,000 ahead, Judge McPherson said.

"You can do much better sitting at home holding your hand out," the judge advised Burke.

Housewife sees clear solution to dirty specs

Housewife Edna Arsenault got so fed up having to stop what she was doing and clean off her eyeglasses that she did something about it — and invented windshield wipers for specs.

"I really did it for myself," said the 64-year-old mom of six grown kids.

Her handy new device was unveiled by a firm in Ware, Mass.

"When you have to wear glasses all the time, sometimes you spend more time cleaning them than you have them on," said practical Edna.

The amazing device includes a tiny wiper blade hidden in the frame and a water or cleaner fluid sprinkler operated by a button.

Man run over eating chicken on rail tracks

A absentminded man got so wrapped up in the chicken and wine dinner he was having on a railroad track that he didn't

Hubby chases nude guy from wife's bed

A police desk sergeant got quite a shock when the visiting door flew open and a frantic man raced in — wearing nothing but his socks.

The scared stranger said he'd run for his life after being caught in bed with another man's wife in Old Bethpage, L.I.

He said he was in the bedroom with the woman when her husband returned unexpectedly from a business trip.

He said he grabbed his clothes and ran for the stairs with the bopping-mad hubby in hot pursuit. When the naughty fellow arrived at police headquarters breathless and embarrassed, the husband gave up the chase and kindly cops gave their visitor some old clothes to wear home.

"Hopefully the lovebirds reconciled," said the desk sergeant.

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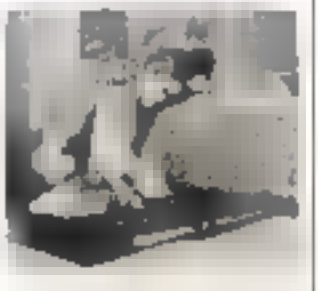

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WACKY NEW DIET REALLY WORKS

Want to lose weight? Try lettuce seeds!

By JOE SMITH

Hundreds of jubilant jellybellies are shedding acres of shaking, quaking flab on an amazing new lettuce seed diet. But the king-size calorie counters don't munch the little seeds — they stick 'em in their ears!

"It sounds very crazy, but it works," roly-poly Rayoon Ajavun told reporters in Bangkok, Thailand. "I've lost 42 pounds already and I'm still shrinking. I may put seeds in my ear for the rest of my life."

The daffy diet is the brainchild of Dr. Dupota Samritvanitch, who advises porky patients to place a single lettuce seed on the end of one finger and press it against the inside of their ear 10 times before each meal.

Then they toss away the seed and dig into dinner.

"But they don't eat as much because the acupressure on the nerve inside their ear reduces their hunger," the diet doc said. "It's as simple as that.

"Anyone who thinks it's silly should try it. It's perfectly safe, as long as you don't get those seeds stuck in your ear."

It's cheap, too — because lettuce seeds are a dime a dozen at any garden store.

And the fatties who flock to the diet doc's weight-loss clinics in Bangkok swear by his seedy scheme.

You don't eat them — you put them in your ears

"When he first told us to press lettuce seeds in our ears, everyone laughed," said hefty housewife Mai Rim.

"But most of us went along and we were startled at how fast it worked. I lost 30 pounds in one month."

And blubbery businessman Ta Wong Mayonnaise says he's shrunk from a whopping 410 pounds to 280 since he started sticking lettuce seeds in his ear.

"I feel like a new man, and I owe it all to Dr. Samritvanitch," he tickled Te rejoiced.

"I was always so hungry, but now I can control my appetite.

"And it's just wonderful to be able to get up on an airplane and only have to pay for one seat."

NEWS readers are advised not to begin any diet without consulting their doctor first.

YOU can look like model in photo below, says diet doc Dupota Samritvanitch.

Golfer [redacted] hole-in-one — in [redacted] hole!

A greenhorn golfer was jumping for joy after scoring a hole-in-one — till he realized he'd sunk the ball in the wrong hole.

The unidentified duffer had hit the ball from the first tee at a country club near Carlisle, England, and plopped it neatly into the cup on the nearby 18th green. He stormed away from the club

Debt-ridden couple commits suicide

The honeymoon ended tragically for a couple of newlyweds who lived it up on borrowed money and killed themselves after sinking hopelessly into debt.

Authorities said Private John Griffiths, a 22-year-old army cook, and his wife Lynette, 21, were found dead of carbon monoxide fumes in their rented car at a honeymoon resort near Brixham, England.

suicide pact when they couldn't pay the money back.

"We knew nothing of their financial problems," said Raymond Speedy, the bride's father. "If either had come to us and told us, we would have helped if we could."

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Russians sew chimp's head onto man's body!

SHOCKING RESULT of Soviet ape-to-human experiment is shown in an artist's conception.

RUSSIAN doctors spent seven hours attaching chimpanzee's head to a "volunteer" human's helpless body.

By SAGAN DUNN

A human rights advocate says Soviet scientists have transplanted a chimp's head on a man's body in one of the most horrifying medical experiments on record.

"The Russians have never been restricted by ethics or respect for human life but this time they've gone too far," Dr. Herman Lusk told reporters in Amberg, West Germany.

"They conducted the transplant on August 20," he added, "and according to my sources, the patient is still alive."

Soviet officials angrily denounced Dr. Lusk's allegation but he produced both written and photographic evidence to support his claims.

Documents smuggled from a research facility east of Moscow contain a step-by-step description of the bizarre transplant experiment.

And a shocking series of photos taken after the operation clearly depict a human body topped with a chimp's neck and head.

Dr. Viktor Malsander is a former Soviet surgeon who emigrated to West Germany last year. He told reporters that Soviet scientists have conducted head-transplant experiments in the past and will continue to do so unless "God-fearing people everywhere pressure them to quit."

"The past record transplant is particularly gruesome but it doesn't surprise me in the least," continued the doctor.

"I seriously doubt that the patient will live more than a few months because the animal head will almost certainly be rejected by the human body.

"But this sort of research is very important to the Soviet medical establishment and will definitely go on. It is part of an attempt to stay 'ahead' in the pursuit of ultimate power."

Dr. Lusk said Soviet scientists have been conducting head transplant experiments since the early 1950s. Similar research has been totally banned in the United States, they went on to say.

In spite of Soviet denials, Dr. Lusk has called on individuals and human rights groups worldwide to condemn the Soviet research.

"In the name of God and everything decent we've got to stop this madness," he said.

Dad is charged after tot shot

A 3-year-old boy accidentally shot himself in the foot — and his father has been charged with child endangerment, police said.

Little Nicholas Martinez Jr. of Chicago reached up into a high drawer in the kitchen and got his father's gun while Nicholas Martinez Sr. was taking a nap. He shot himself while looking into the gun barrel and is in critical condition.

Nicholas Martinez Sr. has also been charged with failing to register his handgun.

Loneliness is more risky than smoking

Scientists have isolated a new killer: loneliness.

New research reveals that being socially isolated rivals established risk factors like cigarettes, high blood pressure, high cholesterol levels, being overweight and neglecting exercise in causing serious health problems.

Sociologists at the University of Michigan concluded that the risks of loneliness are "stronger than the relative risks for all

Cops find dead man holding floral bouquet

Baffled cops found the corpse of Andrew Keene floating in a lake — clutching a bouquet of flowers.

The well-known Columbia, S.C., amateur designer often picked flowers from a woods near Lake Murray where his beaumont was located.

"We have almost been able to rule out foul play, but that is not conclusive," said Richland County Coroner Frank Barrett.

Keene, 48, had a history of alco-

Beautiful baby sisters are doing fine after incredible birth

Identical twins born a year apart!

By SAGAN DUNN

A 45-year-old woman gave birth to identical twins one year apart!

"There's no doubt about it — the second child is a physical and genetic duplicate of the first," Dr Ralf Maitland told reporters in Oslo, Norway.

"There are astounding circumstances. But we really are quite flabbergasted. We didn't realize the woman was carrying a second child.

Neither apparently, did a other the Bach

She received from the birth of seven pound Elke Bach on Aug 16 1987, and was promptly released from the hospital after a routine three day stay.

"I felt like my tummy was bigger than it should have been but the doctors insisted that the swelling would go down," said Mrs Bach.

"I was still big after my first post delivery checkup. But every one assured me that I was merely 'retaining water' and would soon be slim again."

In fact, Mrs Bach continued to pack on the pounds she eventually reached the conclusion that having a baby had somehow changed her metabolism and left her destined to stay fat.

"I really didn't give it a second thought until a few weeks before Elke's first birthday," said Mrs Bach.

"I was watching television at first when I felt a sharp pain in my stomach.

"I grimaced and my husband asked what was wrong. I hesitated and said 'My stomach - I'm having another baby!'"

Within minutes Mrs Bach was in full labor. And before the hour was out paramedics had rushed to her home delivered her fraternal, 4 1/2 pound baby girl.

"She's just as big as her sister and weighs only three ounces less. Both are healthy and doctors say there is no reason why they shouldn't grow up to be perfectly normal children," said Mrs Bach.

"Right now our 5-month-old daughter is making up for lost time. Little Heidi is growing by leaps and bounds while sister was born.

A hospital spokesman refused to discuss the specifics of Mrs Bach's marathon pregnancy. He did point out that cases of twins being born

Doctors never realized mom was carrying a second child

months apart are quite common. He also said that doctors rarely mistake one baby for another.

Mrs Bach said: "All my friends are telling me to sue. I'm not that kind of person. I wouldn't give me all the money in the world and a lifetime supply of weight pills as much as the extra trouble it's caused."

Everything's ducky

Joshua Coulter 7 at Shawnee, Kans. watches his mom he a first-place ribbon on his coat check. Lewis, at a show sponsored by the YWCA. Louis won both the

Date expert tells gals not to slap guys who get fresh

A woman may unknowingly spark an ongoing violent relationship with her beau by giving the guy a slap across the face for getting fresh on an early date.

That's the claim of researcher Dr Murray Straus of the University of New Hampshire in Durham who believes that this time-honored "acceptable" violence can escalate into wife-beating or worse.

"Many mothers give their daughters the advice that if he gets fresh, slap him," said Dr Straus.

"But that's violence. The woman is setting the example."

Dr Straus believes this slapping of a man by a woman is accepted as a way to cut off unwanted advances, which is engaged in by a couple.

"In most she slaps the man across the face and they are happily ever after," he said. "It really hits the stage the mad and there's violence ever after."

He said this slapping behavior by the woman can be the root for a more guilty violent relationship.

"If there are no slaps then there's going to be no reinforcing," he said.

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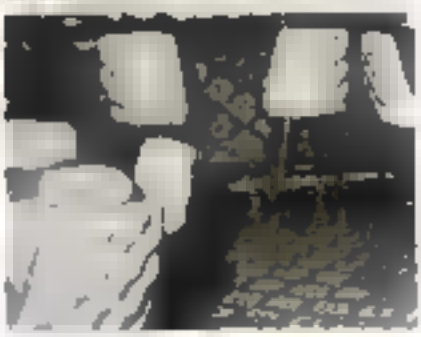

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Child molester is let out of jail & does it again, say cops

By JACK ALEXANDER

In an outrageous court system screw-up, cops said a sex fiend kidnapped and molested two little boys while out on bail for the admitted rape of another child.

Richard Gardner, 21, was a free man for nearly two months after pleading guilty to the sexual assault of a 12-year-old boy in Hingham, Mass.

While a judge debated whether to give him prison or probation, police said Gardner slipped across the state line and assaulted two boys in Warwick, R.I.

"I asked the judge to increase Gardner's bail after he pled guilty, but apparently he didn't think the man was a risk," said District Atty. Joan Holmes.

Gardner was arrested May 6 in Hingham for raping the 12-year-old. His mother posted

Judge didn't think creep was a risk!

$5,000 cash bail and he was released from jail, said Mrs. Holmes.

The case was delayed while shrinks at a Bridgewater hospital tried to determine whether Gardner was sane enough to stand trial. They decided he was.

Gardner was hauled into court June 7 and admitted the crime. He was turned loose on society again while Judge John Simonson considered his sentence.

About 4 a.m. on July 29, a 10-year-old boy was asleep in the first floor bedroom of his parents' home in Warwick, R.I. Police said Gardner grabbed the boy from his bed, took him to a wooded area and assaulted him. The terrified youngster was dropped off near his house at dawn.

That night a 9-year-old Warwick boy was abducted by a man as he left a library with his brother and a friend. Police say the man was Richard Gardner.

The frightened little boy was sexually assaulted before the kidnapper released him just a block from his home 22 hours later.

Police spotted Gardner's car a few minutes later and captured him after a high-speed chase.

Gardner is currently being held WITHOUT BAIL and is charged with first-degree sexual assault, second-degree sexual assault, two counts of kidnapping, assault with a dangerous weapon, burglary, possession of a stolen car and carrying a concealed weapon.

"Gardner should have been locked up or the bail should have been increased after he pleaded guilty in Hingham," said Mrs. Holmes.

ADMITTED child rapist Richard Gardner

Wave takes tourist for final ride!

British tourist Graham Bart is believed to have drowned when he was slammed by a towering, 12-foot wave that thundered onto a beach at Rio de Janeiro, Brazil.

Police said the 26-year-old victim was washed out to sea and that efforts to find him were hampered by high winds and stormy weather.

A friend with Bart was also dragged out to sea, but was rescued by a surfer.

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I find it necessary to run [illegible] pictures of Christina Onassis? Sure, the lady's a blimp. But don't you think she's suffered enough?

I don't know what you editors of Weekly World [illegible] like, but you seem to get your kicks making [illegible] people and that's awfully cruel. It seems to [illegible] me poor Christina doesn't enjoy seeing her [illegible] in the paper with the bubbles hanging out over her bikini, so why don't you quit calling her the tanker queen and leave her alone.

You must be making her life miserable. — D.F., Saratoga, N.Y.

Hey, don't blame us for the people Aristotle Onassis married. We didn't send a gun to her head and tell her to stuff her face with cream puffs and chocolate cake. We just showed everybody how nuts she looked afterward. — Editors

A guy in a skirt isn't a fit parent

Editors: Your story this week about homosexuals and social workers hot! I'm still boiling over the story in your September 27 paper about Uncle Darning who's a 5-year-old AIDS baby to a transvestite to raise. They have to be out of their everloving minds to give a degenerate like that a poor defenseless baby to raise.

Then Lot is going to grow up with a father who calls him it's pretty soon for boys and men to wear bras and panties and kitchen dresses.

That's a man appointed Lord and Supreme over a perverted home and that should be forced — and then some! — to live in Fort Worth, Tex.

Get real, Sandra. That poor child has AIDS and he isn't going to be around long enough to worry about whether to wear a bra. As soon as the "degenerate" had the doctors to work his heart and bones to a lint with the world's most powerful shampoo. Would you? — Editors

My chicken husband was a real animal

Editors: I was fascinated by the story in your paper about the woman in Australia who thought she was a Yorkshire terrier. She ran around on her hands and knees and lapped water from a bowl and ate nothing but canned dog food.

I showed the story to the lady next door when she came over to watch the soaps with the paternity and she just shook her head and said your paper had to be exaggerating.

I couldn't tell her that I knew the story was true from personal experience — because my husband flipped out in 1987 and for about three weeks he thought he was a chicken. He clucked like a hen and scratched around in the dirt and ate nothing but corn. The psychiatrist said it was a form of dysteria and he'd get over it and he did.

Now he's just another chubby old man who lies around in the sun all day drinking beer, but I love him dearly. At least he doesn't think he's a Rhode Island Red anymore. — W.W., Providence, R.I.

But the minute your darling husband falls, there went the free eggs — right? — Editors

Address your letters to Editors, Weekly World News, 600 South East Coast Ave., Lantana, FL 33462. We reserve the right to edit your letters.

Is my mouthy teen a monster or is she just mixed-up?

Dear Dotti, I waited a long time after my first marriage ended to remarry because I wanted this one to last for a lifetime. But my wife's daughter has nearly ruined my health and our marriage

I raised four children in my first marriage. We had some rough times but we all pulled together and got our work done.

My present wife's daughter is 17 and I've been her father since she was 7. She'd never been taught to respect or mind anyone.

At first the novelty of having a father type around kept her mostly obedient, but lately the little brat has gotten completely out of hand. She says she won't be a slave to the dishes I make her and to take out the trash, which are the only chores we ask of her.

She refuses to have her friendships restricted in any way. She thinks she can go to rock concerts with her 16-year-old cousin. She won't wear any reasonable clothes. In her she has the right name up if she's rude and a compulsive little liar.

She shines her mother out of every predicament she gets her mother does everything for her and will not back me up. We've tried everything — prayer, counseling, rewards, punishments.

I have never struck a child, but lately I've felt like beating this one daily. Have you got a solution for us? — Lost in the Woods, Calif.

Dear Lost in the Woods, There's nothing so strange about your wife's pro-teenage behavior. It's your wife who's the problem. Sure, the brat who's been behaving like a two-year-old [illegible] grabbed her in diaper age [illegible] — and she has still never grown.

Remarried but still missing my ex

Dear Dotti: My wife and I had a little boy but I divorced her three years ago for being unfaithful. I remarried a wonderful [illegible] but I think I [illegible]

I feel guilty, but every time I hear the things and talk a lot about me, I think I call her and go back to her. — Feeling Guilty, New York

Dear Feeling Guilty: You are dumb. Dear Dotti remember you're number one [illegible]

A teen who's twixt & between 2 men

Dear Dotti: My troubles all started a year and a half ago when I was 15 and I fell in love with a 24-year-old guy. I believed in him. He didn't actually tell me that he loved me, but I gave in to him and we slept together.

A couple of weeks ago I fell deeply in love with another guy. I've gotten to know him from my job because I'll be making me feel good about myself and doesn't care that I lost my virginity. He's married and has two kids. But he only sleeps at home and there [illegible]

says he loves me and would leave everything at his house just so that he can be with me, but I feel so guilty about leaving his family's life. And now the first guy is very jealous, even though he's got other girls besides me. He says he wants me back.

I still love this first guy but I love the married guy who says he loves me. Should I go on with one of them or find someone different? — Miss Around Love, Calif.

Dear Miss Around Love: A smart girl like you should quit messing around. Go to school and date boys your own age or you'll end up like your married guy's wife — always at home with a couple of whining rug rats.

The kids & I need to get away

Dear Dotti: My husband and I are going through a [illegible] mean a divorce and all he did was help her leave.

He never wants our kids to be around him. He comes home drunk and beats me [illegible] just doesn't give a damn and I'm downright sick of it.

He says if I leave he'll take the children with him just to spite me. I have thought of calling the state authorities to take me and the kids away. What do you think? — Miss Abused in Bath, Maine

Dear Abused: As a first step, I think the kids in this area of the world don't want to behave them. And they call to state help to settle this ugly mess while you divorce him.

Waitin' to be datin' but mom says no

Dear Dotti: I am a 13-year-old girl who lives in misery.

My mother and father just won't let me have a boyfriend. Once I tried it without their knowing, but my mother found out.

I know about 10 guys who love me, but what's the use?

[illegible] Signed [illegible]

Dear Signed: Your mother and father are right. You're too young to be dating. Wait a few years and you'll have plenty of time for boys.

Dear Dotti: I have to say you're one of the most [illegible] I've ever read. I'm going to do what I think is best. — Looking for Boys, Calif.

Dear Looking for Boys: As long as you put your hormones under your mom and dad's dinner table you do what they say — and watch.

Confidential

Dear Lonely Lover in Austin, Tex.: The only way to get a ring out of Mr. Selfish is to take back the one you gave him.

Dear Terrified in Philadelphia: Let the kids fall reverse thyself with the two-faced alien.

Dear Fed Up in London, Ont., Canada: Send a real-British! worm in your front lawn — and father — saying the devil exercises in the room-pops for a up and [illegible] can't eat it anymore. She'll end up vomiting a little, for sure.

LOVELINES

To Bobby-Joe of Hattiesburg, Miss. of the Mississippi: We were right in the middle of a beautiful life and then you had me upside the head. — The Stud of Hattiesburg, Miss.

To Laurie in Sandy, Ore.: I love you with all my heart and always will. Despite what's happened. — Your Shadow in Colorado

To Sarah Jane in Johnsville, Iowa: [illegible] — Your Bad [illegible]

World leaders briefed on 10 UFO hot spots aroun

By RADAR QUINN

Members of a multi-national task force have determined that UFOs repeatedly visit 10 key areas around the world — and speculate that these hot spots might be strategic points in an extraterrestrial plot to take over the world!

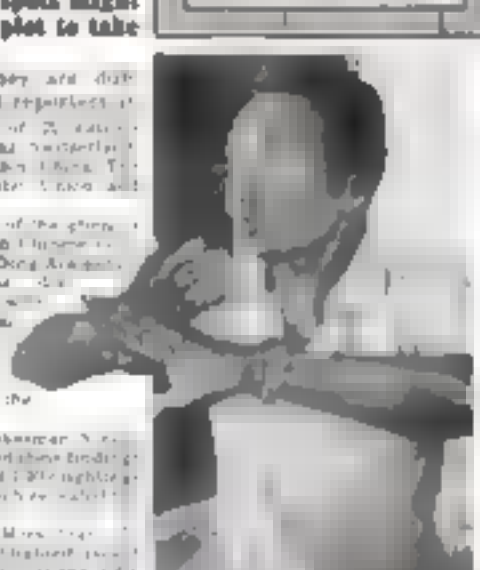
"World leaders have been briefed and they are duly alarmed," group spokesman Konrad Schild told reporters in Geneva, Switzerland.

"We aren't at all confident that we have the military power or diplomatic means to protect ourselves if extraterrestrials do mount a campaign against Earth," he added.

"The one thing we do know is that we must deal with this threat from a posture of strength and knowledge, not complacency, uncertainty or fear."

The research team is composed

CHINA's Deng Xiaoping is leader of the multi-national group.



FAMED Jose Marcelo tells of sighting UFOs perform impossible maneuvers over his Brazilian farm

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No area on the planet is s

In one of the most sensational incidents Brazilian farmer Jose Marcelo watched three UFOs make impossible maneuvers in mid-air while flying over his farm for more than an hour.

● **Perth, Australia:** 165 sightings and dozens of abductions, including an entire automobile with a family of five aboard.

● **Jakarta, Indonesia:** 243 sightings. Authorities say extraterrestrials have been particularly interested in native populations. There have been reports that a primitive UFO dropped on an entire village — complete with people and animals.

● **Beijing:** 382 sightings and at least a dozen abductions. In one case a basketball sized UFO shrunk a schoolboy to the size of an ant and kept him in a jar for three days.

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SIGHTINGS have become commonplace in Russia. The Soviet press has reported several of them.

shaped UFOs visited a farming community south of the city and reprimand six communist party members in April 1987.

● **Delhi, India:** 228 sightings. Oddly enough, UFOs and extraterrestrials have never harmed

to leprosy has been healed by spiritual

In one [illegible] UFO flew alongside [illegible] and cured them

● **Russia:** [illegible] estimates of UFO reports [illegible] sightings and a spate of six months 28 UFOs blinked what astronomers [illegible] asteroids [illegible]

● **Yerevan, Turkey** including that ship [illegible] ship in 1984 [illegible] sued the [illegible] Two of the [illegible]

Plastic king has 1,099 credit cards

A credit card king Walter Kavanagh never leaves home without a handful of his 1,099 cards.

The self-proclaimed "Mr. Plastic" says he has eighteen of all the 19,000 credit cards he estimates are available in the U.S.

"I figure I only have 12 percent of what's out there," said the Santa Clara, Calif., card collector. "My goal is to get them all."

Kavanagh never [illegible] American Bank of Santa Barbara applies for [illegible] cards a month.

"I did get a letter from a Japanese bank that asked why I wanted a card since I live 5,000 miles from one of their branches," he said.

He pays his card bills [illegible] and doesn't owe anyone a penny.

The biggest drawback to collecting plastic is the burden of

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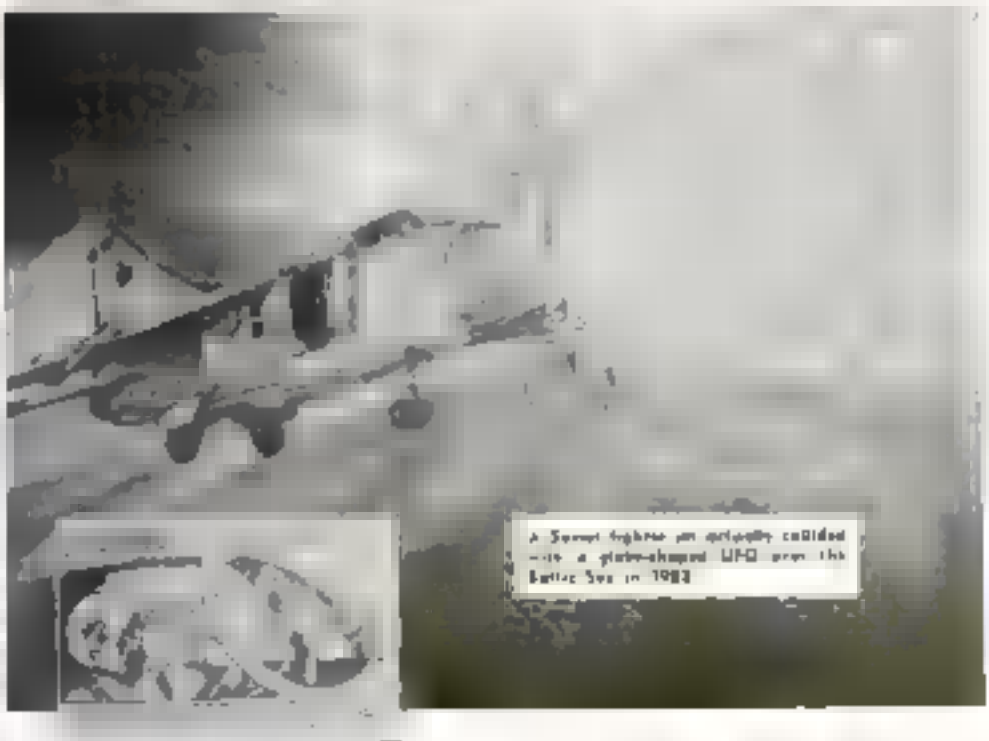
ARTIST'S reconception of the incredible incident in Peru in 1963 when more than 30,000 soccer fans were stunned by a fleet of glowing UFOs that flew over a stadium outside of Lima. The sightings of the multi-colored starships were confirmed by the air force and by the Peruvian government.



A Soviet fighter jet actually collided with a plate-shaped UFO over the Baltic Sea in 1983

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the spring of 1963 a fleet of glowing, multi-colored UFOs dazzled more than 30,000 soccer fans when they flew over a stadium east of the city.

Air force officials confirmed the sightings as did key leaders in the Peruvian government.

Said UFO group spokesman Schild, "No area on the planet is immune to extraterrestrial visitation. Of course, but these 10 places are definitely hot spots.

"In keeping with the findings of our group we have asked for the creation of a permanent UFO study group to monitor the situation. It is our conclusion that the threat from space is very real.

"And we can't just sit around and wait for it to disappear."

Neither U.S. nor Soviet officials ...ffered that key leaders are taking it seriously.

"There is a spirit of cooperation forming in Washington and the Kremlin that is a direct result of the perceived UFO plot," said one U.S. official.

"Oddly enough, I think we're be...

Man dies — ... a slice of ...

British Royal Navy engineer Derek Gay ended his life by keeping on dreams of a slice — after a petty squabble with his wife over a slice of bread.

Gay's wife Sharon told a coroner's inquest, which ruled the death a suicide.

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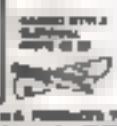

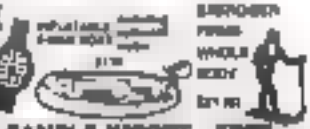

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Desperate dad feared that getting a divorce would upset his kids

Cop tries to murder his wife!

HOUSEWIFE Faye Brademann is recovering from two gunshot wounds after the unsuccessful attempt on her life.

By PETE COOKE

A veteran police officer said he simply couldn't face the prospect of putting his two young sons through a messy divorce — and decided to have his wife murdered instead.

"I knew I could no longer live with Faye and I knew that I could not walk out on my sons," Hans Brademann told Canadian authorities after his arrest in Edmonton.

Brademann, 38, was sentenced to 10 years after pleading guilty to attempted murder charges in the attack on his wife, Faye, who was shot in the head and stomach.

Officer Brademann's 26-year-old girlfriend, Elizabeth McLean, is accused of pulling the trigger and is scheduled to be tried later this year.

In a statement to investigators, Brademann said the murder plot was hatched in desperation — because he couldn't walk out on his marriage and leave his two young sons behind.

"I tried to explain the situation to them but they began to tremble and tears started forming in their eyes," Brademann explained.

"That look on their faces has haunted me ever since and eventually desperation took its final course.

"I was possessed by a spirit that totally overpowered me," the 17-year veteran of the Edmonton police force said.

"I'm the smartest guy in the world. I just couldn't see nothing, you know, no way, no other way out," Brademann said.

"God, it sounds crazy. Absolutely crazy, you know, like I was in a Hitchcock movie," he said. "I just can't

VETERAN officer Hans Brademann didn't want to go through a messy divorce.

She survives shooting — and he gets 10 yrs. in the slammer!

want to answer her front doorbell in the early morning hours.

"She and her sons were asleep and her husband was working the night shift with his partner," said prosecutor Peter Martin.

"Mrs. Brademann heard the doorbell and went to answer it, but there was no one there," he said. "Then she saw someone standing in the living room.

"The intruder fired a shot that went through Mrs. Brademann's hand and into her stomach, but the brave housewife struggled with the attacker who dropped the gun and fled."

The gun, a .22-calibre rifle equipped with a homemade silencer, led to Brademann's arrest "The detectives later watched his workshop and found evidence that the silencer was made there by him," Martin said.

"Part of my penance, I'm sure, will be to relive this nightmare until God and everyone else can find it in their hearts to forgive me," Brademann told the judge before sentencing.

Human dart board aims for world record

Steel-nerved Alf Sallis is sitting on pins and needles, pointing to the day his name will be enshrined in the *Guinness Book of World Records* — as a human dart board.

Sallis, 58, of Perth, Australia, said he began to set a Guinness record with 30 darts in his body "The Incredible Alf," makes a flying pitching shower through his cheeks and shredding hooks through fleshy parts of his body.

TRIVIA

Why gals with fat ankles are popular in Africa, the naughty meaning of 'tomboy' and other astonishing facts

By HENRY [redacted]

Half of [redacted] premature babies are left handed. [redacted] back up. And Japan has fewer flush toilets than any other nation on earth!

That's just a sample of the mind-blowing trivia NEWS editors have run across while scouring the globe for stories. Here's more:

● The word "zodiac" has nothing to do with astrology — it means "circle of animals."

● When it comes to posture

CHICKENS are birds, but they are like pigs.

butter. Easterners prefer the creamy — Westerners, the chunky.

● Pabst Blue Ribbon beer was the first product to be advertised on television.

● Fat ankles are considered sexy in Botswana, Africa.

● The mere thought of eating liver makes one in 20 people physically ill.

● A staggering 180,000 people have tried to reach Ronald Reagan during each year of his presidency.

● People think squirrels are smart because they bury nuts in fall, the critters forget where they put half of them.

● Ninety percent of tourists wash their hands in public bathrooms if someone else is present. If the place is empty, only 14 percent wash up.

● Not a single U.S. president has been an only child.

● Nine out of 10 Americans have at least some Indian ancestry.

● A chicken eats over 10 pounds of grain to produce a measly two pounds of meat.

● The hard toe of a ballet shoe is made of satin, burlap, brown paper and glue.

● In Shakespeare's day a "tomboy" was a promiscuous young lady.

● Tennessee's Copper Basin is the only desert east of the Mississippi.

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● Julius Caesar was epileptic — as was Alexander the Great.

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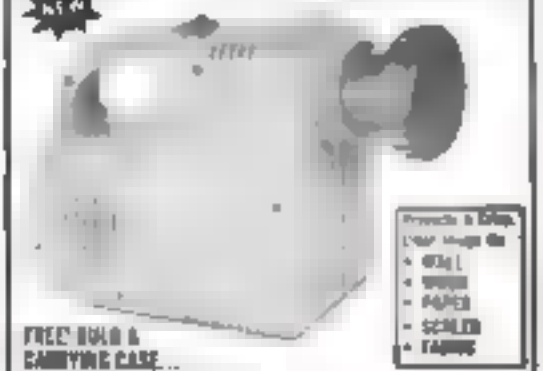

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Housewife spends 30 years building her dream home

HOUSEWIFE Mary Marsh gets a rip of the hot from the proud hubby Eddie after their home was finished.

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By JOE BIAGIA

Hardworking housewife Mary Marsh is ready to move into her dream home — after spending 30 backbreaking years building it with her own hands.

"What a relief! I was beginning to think I wouldn't live to see this day," the elated lady told reporters in North Waltham, England.

"I wanted a house like this so badly, and I knew the only way to get it would be to get down in the dirt and dust and build it myself." Mary's loving hubby Eddie promised to build the blushing bride a little castle of her own when they tied the knot three decades ago.

And honest Ed tried to keep his promise. But the long hours he put in on his 19-acre farm left him little time for building.

So his patient mate donned her overalls and went to work — digging foundations, sawing wood, mixing cement and laying bricks.

Even while she was pregnant with their two daughters, determined Mary built away.

"I pitched in when I could, but most of what you see is Mary's work," said admiring Eddie, 48.

"There were times when I hated to see her working so hard, but she refused to quit. She wanted a real home, and she went out and built one." For the past 30 years, the industrious couple has lived in their "temporary" home — a 25-foot trailer.

"It got a bit crowded when there were four of us jammed in there," said the good-natured granny. "But we don't have to worry about that anymore — because tomorrow we're moving into a real house with three bedrooms. Three bathrooms and more space than we'll ever need. It's mind-boggling.

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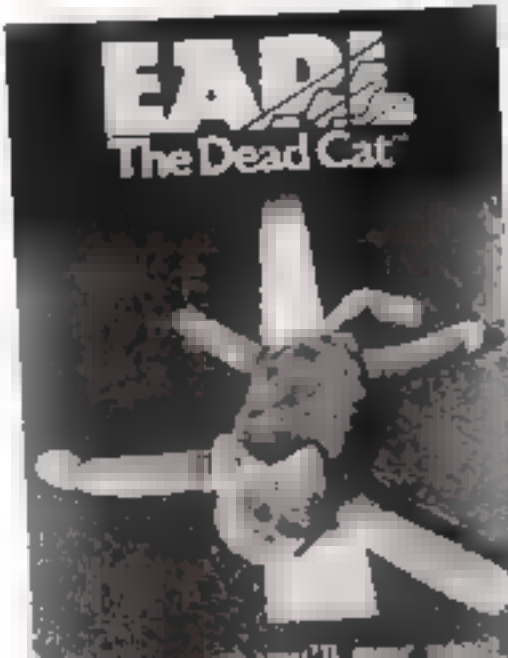

Animal lovers outraged over toy kitty — and the fur flies

By PETE COOKE

Animal lovers are rallying for a government ban on sales of Earl the Dead Cat, the stuffed toy they consider "sick and depraved."

The Humane Society of Ontario is demanding that Canadian officials outlaw the toy and is calling on parents to boycott the stuffed animal.

Earl the Dead Cat is a long, flattened stuffed toy with its tongue hanging out. Earl comes complete with its own death certificate.

"Sick and depraved is how the society views Earl the Dead Cat," said Tom Hughes, Humane Society president.

"The incidence of animal abuse appears to be on the increase and this type of despicable toy will ultimately lead to more abuse," Hughes said.

A promotional poster (at left) shows Earl lying in the middle of the road and says he's "The last cat you'll ever need."

Earl doesn't run smelly cat food, need a messy litter box, shed, go into heat or chase cats that do, says the maker. Earl the Dead Cat is manufactured by Mad Dog Productions of Richmond, Va.

Company president Harry Gottlieb suggested the Humane Society "lighten up."

Lottery winner hires hit man to kill son's wife, cops say

By JACK ALEXANDER

Super lucky mom Mary Ellen Futch was sitting on top of the world after winning $5 million. But now she sits in a jail cell — and money can't get her out.

Mrs. Futch is charged with trying to hire a hit man to kill her son's wife for $5,000. Unfortunately, she tried to hire an undercover cop for the job, police said.

The 46-year-old woman is in a Tampa, Fla. jail being held without bail. Her dream came true four years ago when she won $5 million in a lump sum in Canada's lottery.

Her life has gone downhill ever since. The arrest that shattered her last illusion of [illegible] and [illegible] ing," said Peggy. "We had our spats, believe me.

"But I would apologize to her or she would apologize to me. That is why I was so shocked."

Mrs. Futch returned some of the money as relatives and had improvements.

The IRS claims she owes them $2 million in back taxes and penalties since moving to Tampa from Canada.

Relatives said she doted on her son and once paid a man $7,000 to shoot pool with him.

A home she bought to be near her son has been seized by the IRS and may soon be auctioned to help pay the tax.

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Teen would rather die than marry old coot

Young bride says 'I don't' and eats nails to stop wedding!

By IRWIN STINGER

A 14-year-old girl ate 63 nails, 20 bottle caps and a handful of gravel rather than submit to her father's demand that she marry an 80-year-old man!

"She was definitely trying to kill herself," Police Inspector Ahmed Hareem told reporters in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia.

"Personally, I think she really have chosen an easier method. She apparently went on agony in the hospital where surgeons had to operate to take her."

The bizarre suicide attempt shocked members of conservative Bedouin Marani Al-Dary's family. According to press reports, the girl had made it clear that she didn't want to wed elderly Saleh Marani. But nobody expected her to go to such extremes to defy her father's wishes.

"Very few girls know what is best for them and Marani was no exception," said Osman Al-Dary, her 21-year-old brother. "Marani had no say in the matter. And if she had she thought contrary to father's wishes, she should have kept them to herself and gone ahead with the wedding."

The girl admitted that she made a mistake, but the day she tried to kill herself — but because she didn't realize enough metal and debris to be successful.

"I'll never marry that man," Marani told reporters, who visited her in the hospital. "He's mean, ugly and old. Father is wrong to make me marry him."

"It's my life — not his."

The prospective groom refused to comment on the incident other than to say Abdu Al-Dary, the girl's father had promised him Marani's hand in marriage "in return for a favor."

Al-Dary was almost at sixty-hour strike only after his daughter had bitterly disappointed him and "in the process worthy of my name." Dr. Ayad Tadros is credited with saving Marani's life. But he also declined to comment on the specifics of her case.

"I did my job when I cleaned out her stomach," he said. "What she does with her body is her own business."

His fate is sealed!

Enraged animal lovers are up in arms about this photo of a cuddly baby seal about to have his fury brains blown out because its mother wears a killer disease, now ravaging the seals of the British Isles. The Royal Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals has issued shoot-to-kill orders if its ever find seals afflicted with the mystery virus. Said lovely Alpha the RSPCA says can't tell the difference between the killer disease and other ailments. "I don't believe RSPCA officers have the experience to make such a diagnosis," said a seal sanctuary manager. But a Royal Society bigwig said the slaughter will continue "because there is no humane alternative."

Seeing Eye dog watches childbirth

A blind father-to-be took his Seeing Eye dog into a delivery room while his wife gave birth to a baby.

Hospital officials in Traverse City, Mich., weren't particularly thrilled with the idea. But they relented when Brad Schuler, 23, told them that he and the dog had been together only one month and that any separation at this

Man's courtroom cocktail shocks judge

Defendant Daniel Gill at a the Orangeville County, Wis., judge's head spinning when he strutted into court and calmly gave an urgent request a request.

"Judge, if you have a glass, I'd like to have a drink," Gill told Judge Franklin during an appearance for sentencing on eight counts of shoplifting an order to stop filing frivolous lawsuits against his family.

Horror of the bleeding house

The blood that dripped from the ceiling to the tablecloth told a grisly tale of murder

By BOB ROBBINS

The strange disappearance of Buford and Ellen Penrose was an insolved mystery for eight years until blood began dripping from the ceiling of their home — sending a host of dinner guests fleeing in horror.

The stately plantation house in Oakdale, Ga., had remained empty the seven years it took for the couple to be declared legally dead.

And then, the couple's relatives refused to take over the house because of the tales of horror surrounding the place. But ghost stories didn't scare Carlos and Karen Palmer. They bought the house in October 1938 for a fraction of its true value from Paul Perdyce, the Penrose attorney.

The house began living up to its spooky reputation almost immediately.

First, the family's cat would hesitate and hiss at unseen intruders.

Then, the Palmers found the cat's stiff corpse one morning lying at the foot of the bed. The cat's throat had been cut.

Karen was cheerful as she made out the formal invitations for 40 guests and even sent one to Perdyce, the Penrose attorney. The dinner would have been memorable for the fancy foods and gay sparkling plates — but it was the terror that struck after the dishes had been cleared that made it a terrifying event.

Karen suddenly screamed and pointed to the widening scarlet stain that had appeared on the tablecloth.

Then, screams from the other guests filled the room as they looked up at the source of the stain. On the ceiling was a red patch, dripping drops of blood onto the tablecloth.

Carlos and several other men raced upstairs to the old master bedroom to find the cause of the horror.

Meanwhile, Paul Perdyce, the Penroses' lawyer, sat trembling in his seat, his face as white as death.

The men returned from their search more baffled than ever. There was no apparent cause for the cascade of dripping blood.

Suddenly, old Perdyce collapsed and was rushed to the hospital.

The next day, he lived long enough to confess to the terrible deed he had committed eight years earlier.

He had quietly been embezzling the Penroses' funds and Buford Penrose had discovered the crime.

Terrified of jail, Perdyce surprised the Penroses in their bedroom one night in 1931 and killed them.

Then, he ghoulishly hacked their bodies into pieces and threw the ghastly remains into the Savannah River.

His confession explained the Penroses' disappearance. But no one could explain the red stain on the ceiling and the blood that had dripped on the tablecloth.

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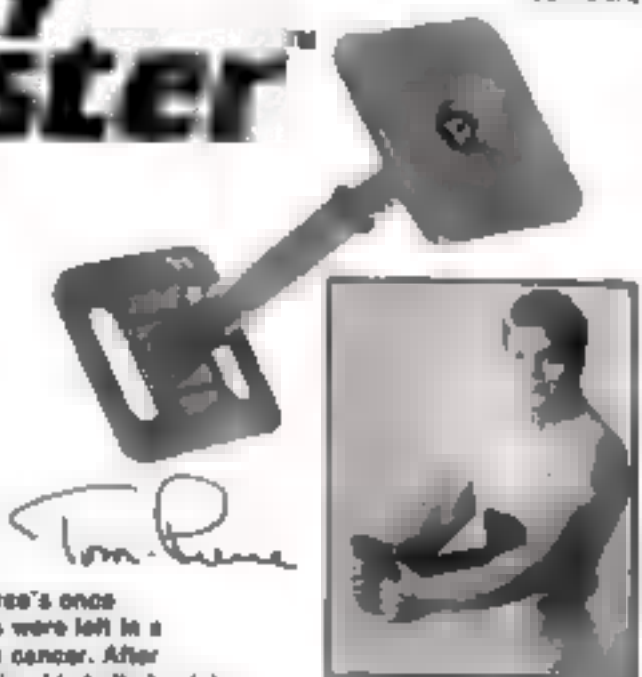

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Grieving grandma writes letter to monster

Why did you kill my baby?

By SUSAN HAMILTON

Angry Eddie Robinson wants to hear from the coward who killed her little granddaughter — so she's written a public letter asking him to get in touch.

"Write me a letter," the grieving grandma said in a message published by her hometown newspaper in Sanford, Fla. "Address it to Grandmom. I will get it.

"Before you want to show how brave you are, tell me what your problem is that you had to tear up a family that way."

Mrs. Robinson's 11-year-old granddaughter Curnetha disappeared July 3. The friendly child was on her way to visit her grandmother.

A day later the little girl's body was found in an empty lot. She had been stabbed and her throat had been slashed.

Mrs. Robinson, 56, is waiting for police to close in on Curnetha's killer, but meanwhile she is trying to find some answers herself. She is convinced he'll glimpse her challenge in that letter she had published days after the girl's death.

"To the Killer of Curnetha Appleton — Wait a minute.

"I just want to ask you why did you kill my grandchild?" You can't brag or tell anyone cause you are scared. You haven't proved anything because you killed a child, someone who could not defend herself. You are a pervert (sic) and a coward. But you will suffer the rest of your life. You will always see her face.

"But maybe you will be brave enough to do one thing. Write me a letter. Throw it on the lawn in front of the Sanford Herald office. Address it to Grandmom. I will get it. Tell me why. Since you were so show how brave you are, tell me what your problem is that you had to tear up a family that way.

"Were you able to make your point that you are such a bad person that you gave your point? Well you didn't because no one knows but you what it is. You were stupid, you are a coward, but you're not wrong. Answer my letter if you have anything left in you. Let the rest of the world know that a pitiful man prevent. Answer my letter."

The grief-stricken grandma's handwritten note was given to police, who delivered it to the newspaper. So far, no one has responded and police admit they have no clues.

But Mrs. Robinson remains hopeful that her message to her little granddaughter's killer will accomplish something.

11-YEAR-OLD Curnetha was killed while walking to her grandmother's house, prompting this heartbreaking open letter to the murderer

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Cavemen picked choppers clean

Three hairy old cavemen may not have been quite as slovenly as everybody thought. New evidence shows they actually used toothpicks to keep their choppers clean.

Anthropologists say the teeth of Neanderthal men have tiny, symmetrical grooves running from the front to the back, indicating they were accustomed to picking their teeth clean after meals.

Researchers say caveman may even have rubbed animal sinews or tendons back and forth across their teeth to clean them — like an ancient form of flossing.

Mom tapes her kids — but not with a camera

A young woman was charged with child abuse after cops said she punished her kids by taping their hands, eyes and feet.

Dorothy Ermovick, 31, taped one little boy's feet because he wiggled them too much, and put tape over another boy's eyes because he kept looking around and rose in Los Angeles.

She told police she'd handcuffed her son's hands and put a handkerchief on his head because the kid liked to stay up and watch TV, said police.

Smart-aleck crook leaves victim a note

A smart-mouthed burglar ransacked a Los Angeles optometrist's office, then left him a note — scolding him for leaving his door unlocked.

"You're pretty dumb to leave your back door open," wrote the wise guy crook. "Please in the future don't leave it open."

The thief didn't bother to sign his note.

Pooch survives 2-mile trip tied to car's bumper

Randall Stanley tied his German shepherd to his bumper while he rambunctious some beer-then drove off with the dog still tied up — revealing too soon before he discovered his error, cops say.

The Riverside, Pa., man has been charged with driving under the influence of alcohol.

His frantic pooch was taken to the vet, where he is recovering.

Execution set for deadly priest

Rev. Antony Lasar, a 48-year-old Catholic priest in Delhi, India, has been condemned to death for ordering a married woman's murder.

The Times of India reported that Father Lasar was having an affair with the woman.

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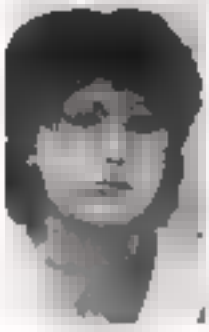
Two women charged in separate shockers

By PETE COOKE

Authorities charged a mother with assault after they said a sleep clinic's hidden video camera caught her in the act of smothering her sleeping baby.



Tanya Reid

Officials in St. Paul, Minn., said the videotape shows Jane Wilken, a 36-year-old occupational therapist, picking up her sleeping year-old son, Matthew, and pressing his nose and mouth against her chest until he lost consciousness.

The baby struggled to escape before his tiny body stiffened and then went limp.

The boy managed to come to on his own.

The bizarre scene took place in the sleeping disorder laboratory of Children's Hospital in St. Paul.

Authorities said the baby was hospitalized after suffering eight mysterious respiratory attacks since he was 7 weeks old.

Doctors were suspicious because they could find nothing physically wrong with Matthew.

Prosecutor Tom Foley said Mrs. Wilken appears to be suffering from a rare psychiatric disorder that causes her to seek praise from others for rushing to the aid of her child when he's ill.

"In this case, everybody believes a small child has a serious illness, and it brings attention to the mother," the prosecutor said. "She acts like a model mother being able to take care of this sick child."

Mrs. Wilken revived Matthew on several occasions when he stopped breathing and paramedics arrived to resuscitate the boy on other occasions, authorities said.

The mother, who faces a possible maximum sentence of three years if convicted, was released on the conditions that she not live at home and that visits with her son be supervised by two adults.

A week before Mrs. Wilken's arrest in St. Paul, authorities in Des Moines, Iowa, charged Tanya Reid, a 30-year-old nurse, with child endangerment for cutting off her little boy's air.

Officials said they believe Mrs. Reid suffers from the same psychiatric disorder as Mrs. Wilken. Prosecutor Melodee Nixon said Mrs. Reid's 3-year-old son has been hospitalized on two occasions.

"After cutting off the child's air, Mrs. Reid claimed he had a seizure and faked a seizure while being played to [illegible]. "But the child has nothing physically wrong with him and hasn't suffered a [illegible]."

The prosecutor added that Mrs. Reid, who was released from custody, faces a mandatory 10-year prison term if she is convicted of child endangerment.

Bizarre disease turns moms into monsters

. . . who try to kill their babies!

Jane Wilken

Desperate man dines on swan

Unemployed Barry Wightman had a powerful appetite but no money so he killed a beautiful white swan — and ate it for dinner!

According to testimony at his assault trial in The Strand Criminal Court, Wightman bit the bird with a metal bucket which he used as a club while he was canoeing on a small lake.

"He didn't know what to do with the swan so he took it home with him," said Wightman's attorney. "Because he was short of food he decided to kill it, cook it and eat it instead of resorting to the less humane vessels."

Wightman didn't deny killing the bird and was fined $125, authorities said.

LEAPIN' LIZARDS

Four-year-old Christopher Kerbaugh of Cottage Grove, Minn.,

Accidental Discovery May End Obesity

Blocks calorie absorption

SWEDEN - Medical researchers at the University of Kuopio, in Finland, have discovered (accidentally) a new weight loss formula. The new discovery enables an overweight individual to lose pounds and fatty tissue without dieting or exercise.

Scientists made the discovery while searching for a formula to lower cholesterol. In a controlled study of a test group of people, cholesterol levels remained unchanged but the patients were astounded to find that every patient who used the formula lost weight. The published report of the study stated, "Weight regulation decreases in body weight was found" in patients who consumed the formula.

The formula was then tested at Sweden's Sahlgren Hospital, University of Goteborg. Again, all patients lost a substantial amount of weight even though they did not change their eating habits. The report detailing the study, published in the British Journal of Nutrition, stated, "Body weight was significantly reduced even though the patients were specifically asked not to alter their dietary habits." One patient in the study lost more than 30 pounds.

According to one informed source, the active ingredient within the 100% natural botanical source and contains no drugs or stimulants. When taken before mealtime it binds with the food you eat and "blocks up" calories, preventing their absorption.

A substantial portion of the calories ingested therefore pass through the digestive system undigested. The body has to get energy to replace the lost calories, so it starts to burn stored fat. The result is rapid body weight loss. Extensive clinical tests have verified the safety of this formula for long-term use.

The formula is marketed in tablet form in the United States under the trade name Cal-Ban 3000. A firm located in Tampa, Florida, has exclusive North American distribution rights. A review of the customer files of this company revealed the duplicate of hundreds of people who have lost up to 30 pounds (or more) and as much as 30, 40 or 50 or more pounds overall with Cal-Ban 3000. This is a golden opportunity for people who are plagued by fat and cellulite that they can't seem to lose by conventional methods.

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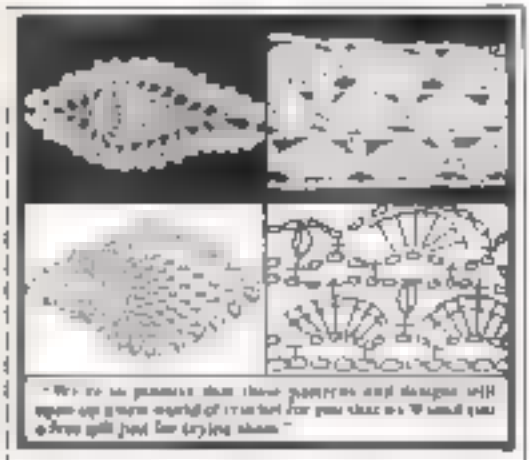

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Happy hubby wants world to know — fat is fabulous

THE BIGGER THEY ARE, THE HARDER HE FALLS ...IN LOVE

DOUG ZIMMER proves how much he loves wife Dianne. Hubby thinks more Americans are prejudiced against fat people. "We should give them some space," he says. There's room for all kinds here.

By SUSAN JIMISON

For years Doug Zimmer kept a dreadful secret, but now he's out of the closet and letting people know: He loves fat women!

The Bellevue, Wash., father of two is married to chubby Dianne, 40, a 300-plus pound blonde. And he says more guys could be as happy as he is if they'd ignore society's prejudices and marry a wide-bodied wife.

"At least 5 percent of men are attracted to fat women, but they're afraid to admit it," Doug, 35, told *The Nation*. "It's not acceptable in today's society.

"There's a prejudice against fat people in America. The standard is narrow. I want people to know there should be room for all kinds in this country, and for all tastes. We should allow some space for fat people and their admirers."

Doug says he hid his fascination for hefty ladies all through his high school years because he was ashamed of his preference. But since he joined the Washington chapter of the National Association to Aid Fat People and met and married Dianne, he's learned he isn't alone among men.

Some guys like long legs, some like big busts — and some like dreadful of charm, Doug says.

"As soon as I was old enough to be interested in the opposite sex, I liked the big ones. I really like my Dianne's weight. She's so sensual her flesh is soft and there's more of it. She's luxurious.

"There's also the idea that a fat person is not depriving herself like a thin, weight-conscious person might. She's not such a controlled type. She has a body that jiggles. It's like a form of rebellion. And if she's got an appetite for food, she's probably got an appetite for love, too."

For her part, Dianne says she's not picky. She knows there are members of men who severely adore fat females and with Doug's help she has come to accept their admiration as natural. "At first I wondered, 'Is this guy a kook?'" she said. "Now I realize Doug loves me, not just my fat."

Good news for geezers — aspirin may be miracle cure for senility

Researchers have found still another use for everyday aspirin: It can cure senility!

An astounding new study reveals that the common headache cure can stop and even reverse the short-memory memory loss and bewildering disorientation suffered by 20 percent of senility patients.

According to Dr. John E. Meyer of Baylor College of Medicine in Houston, Tex., a regular dose of one aspirin a day brings about a significant change in old folks who suffer from a form of senility called the opportunity stabilizes the ailment by increasing blood flow inside the brain.

"The public should now be aware that dementia is not a hopeless disease," Dr. Meyer said in announcing the results of a research study involving the drug. He recommended that people have senile relatives evaluated to see if aspirin can help them.

Dr. Meyer selected a group of 70 elderly patients for his study. Half were given aspirin, the others did not, he told the American Heart Association at a recent conference on stroke. "After three years, it was quite apparent that the aspirin-treated group did significantly better," he said. "We stopped the study for ethical reasons. It wasn't fair to go on with it."

Dr. Meyer found that four times as many patients in the untreated group died over the three-year period of the study as those in the aspirin group. He also found that IQ levels of the aspirin takers rose 10 per-

Angry wrestler kills tag-team partner!

A pro wrestler has been arrested in the stabbing death of his partner before they stepped into the ring for a match near San Juan, Puerto Rico.

Bendy, was stabbed in the stomach and chest during an argument.

Charged with murder was José Huertas Gonzalez, who wrestled under the name of

Next-door window view too much for her, so . . .

GAL BRICKS IN HER NAKED NEIGHBOR!

Clive Birch has been in the dark ever since an irate neighbor built a brick wall outside his window — so she didn't have to see him in his underwear.

The Naburn, England, bachelor has brought a complaint before a local community council about the brick wall which stands seven feet high, only three inches from his cottage.

"Mrs. Easterbrook sees the house next door and reads it out," Birch, 27, explained. "She thinks the window down low property because people can see straight into my home."

Birch, a rabbit relations man, says he's heard the window war had been going on for some time before he bought his new house four months ago.

"I seem to have bought into dispute with the Perkins," he said. "I thought it had all been settled but obviously I was wrong."

But Mrs. Brenda Easterbrook claims that it's the kind she gets whenever she looks through Birch's kitchen window that has caused the row.

"I think how would you like it if you got a view of a man wandering around with nothing on at the morning!" she asked.

Not elderly mother Irene backs her up.

"He was mopping the floor, and I wouldn't tell whether he had pants on or not," she said.

A spokesman for the community council said the dispute is universal, but they're looking into it. Meanwhile, homeowner Birch is pinning his hopes on the council's decision.

"I could just raise a sledgehammer to the wall, but that wouldn't solve the long-running row," he said. "I've been to the council. Now they'll have to decide whether it's illegal because Mrs. Easterbrook didn't have planning permission."

— CHARLES PULLY

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Can't take the heat

Dinosaurs may have been wiped out by a thermonuclear fire that swept the planet over 65 million years ago, say some scientists.

Gobbler roundup

Barry Smith rounds up his turkey flock at the Dandaragan Farmed Park in Western Australia. The large white-breasted birds eliminate the need for insecticides in the crop plantations. "They just gobble up all the bugs in sight," says herdsman Smith.

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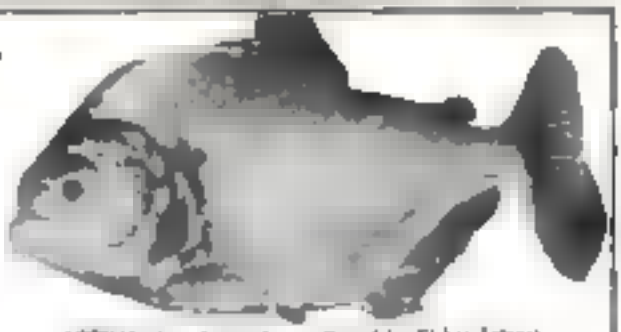

ACTUAL size of piranha swallowed by Cleber Salandi

Dopey guy swallows piranha — & it chews a hole in his stomach!

By HENRY WEISS

A goldfish swallower underwent emergency surgery after he gulped down a piranha by mistake!

Doctors said the voracious fish chewed a hole in Cleber Salandi's stomach, almost causing him to bleed to death before he got medical attention.

"He's really very lucky to be alive," Dr. Dario Campos told reporters in Santa Maria, Brazil.

"The piranha opened a triangle-sized hole in his stomach before gastric acids killed it. If he hadn't come to us when he did, there is no doubt that he would be dead right now."

The bizarre drama unfolded when Salandi decided to impress his friends by swallowing goldfish at a party. He ordered several dozen from a pet shop, which apparently threw in a four-inch piranha by mistake.

"I've swallowed goldfish for years without any problem whatsoever," said Salandi. "I knew something was wrong this time when I felt a terrible pain in my stomach.

"It felt like a hot poker. And when I started spitting up blood I knew I was in serious trouble."

In fact, witnesses said Salandi doubled over in agony minutes after he swallowed the piranha. Stunned friends rushed him to a hospital, where doctors opened him up, stitched the bite wound and removed the fish from his stomach.

"I've never seen anything like it," said Dr. Campos.

"It was almost as if the piranha had been trying to eat Mr. Salandi from the inside out."

Said Salandi, "This isn't going to stop me from swallowing goldfish but I'll tell you one thing:

"Next time I'll make damn sure what I've got in my head before it goes down my throat."

Sleepwalker falls through window — and dies!

A sleepwalking accountant climbed through a third-floor bedroom window in the middle of the night and plunged to his death.

Officials in Carlisle, Eng-land, said 33-year-old David Stanbridge was found in his driveway the following morning by his daughter. His widow, Marion, described her husband as a habitual sleepwalker.

"Sometimes he would get into the bath while he was asleep or even try to open windows," she said.

"Once I found him moving in his sleep and I managed to wake him up. He was very confused and didn't know where he was."

Mammoth's leg weighs 220 pounds

Russian scientists are trying to figure out remarkably good conditions over Magadan, and how much a prehistoric mammoth who lived in the Soviet Union

Bizarre weddin[illegible] pact [illegible]s dad be[illegible] bars

By LAUREL BOWIE

A California farm worker has been sentenced to prison for having sex with his young daughter — in accordance with a bizarre pact he made with his wife on their wedding night.

The heinous husband — whose identity was kept secret to protect his daughter — was upset to discover that his new bride was not a virgin, investigators told a Stockton court.

The bride persuaded her husband not to divorce her by promising him he could have sexual relations with their firstborn daughter.

The man never forgot his wife's promise. When their eldest daughter reached the age of 10, the despicable dad began having relations with her.

And he continued to have sex with her for four years, until she reported the abuse.

Law enforcement officials said the victim's mother often summoned her to the bedroom where the husband was waiting.

San Joaquin County Superior Court Judge Kenneth Ferguson sentenced the man to the maximum term of 30 years in prison for incest.

His wife earlier was sentenced to serve three years in prison.

Jock bashes $$$ machine, say cops

A 300-pound college football player was arrested for doing $5,000 worth of damage to a bank automatic teller machine that refused to return his card, police said. Authorities in Bloomington, Ind., charged Nolan Harrison III, a 6-foot-4 defensive tackle for Indiana University, with criminal mischief in the incident outside a supermarket.

If convicted, Harrison could be sentenced to four years in prison and fined up to $10,000.

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Hospital guard couldn't hold it!

A cop ordered to stand guard over a hospital patient is facing disciplinary action — for urinating in the ward.

Officials in Hayden, Ariz., believe, said shocked nurses and patients were witnesses.

Kid hangs self over motorbike

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I'm a monster!

By PETE COOKE

Prison officials call Willie Bosket the world's most dangerous convict and say the killer is such a threat that guards aren't even allowed to talk to him!

"I'm a monster the system created," said the 25-year-old prisoner who is now confined in a specially designed cell in New York's Woodbourne State Prison.

"I'm a monster that's come back to haunt this system and I will stay this system until it is in its grave," Bosket told a judge last year after being sentenced to 25 years to life for being a habitual criminal.

Authorities said that Bosket launched his long, bloody criminal career when he was just a child. His early offenses landed him in a detention home at the age of 10.

By the time he was 15, Bosket had graduated to serious crime. While robbing two men in the New York City subway, Bosket shot the first victim in the face after he'd raised his hands in surrender. Then shot the second man in the head because he was only carrying small change.

Bosket was tried as a juvenile for the 1978 slayings he said he committed. For the murders, he got five years.

While confined to a juvenile facility where he served his term, Bosket stabbed another inmate with a fork, split a guard's skull with a pipe and attacked two other employees with a hammer.

Shortly after his release in 1983, Bosket shot a blind man during a subway robbery and was sent to prison. His prison record reflects 26 offenses committed behind bars, including setting his cell on fire seven times and assaulting nine members of the prison staff.

On his way to a court appearance in 1985, Bosket attacked two guards, even though he was shackled hand and foot. Later, the same day he grabbed a razor blade on a third guard.

The final straw for prison officials came last April when Bosket drew a homemade knife and stabbed a guard in the back, seriously wounding him. Bosket was charged with attempted murder and moved into a new cell designed especially for him. Video cameras mounted inside the cell allow only guards to monitor Bosket from a safe distance to insure a day.

It's probably the most secure cell ever made for an inmate," said one guard.

Despite the extraordinary security measures, officials are still nervous.

"He probably will kill somebody in the system," said Dirk Blocker, president of the prison guards union.

Others, like social worker Sylvia Hoag, say Bosket is simply misunderstood.

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SHACKLED hand and foot, evil Willie Bosket is escorted to court by heavily armed guards. But that hasn't stopped his vicious attacks. He clashed one guard with a hidden razor blade and grabbed another in the back with a homemade knife.

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Crowded school serves early lunch

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At a time when a lot of folks are sitting down for breakfast, students at Lassiter High in Marietta are being served hot dogs, pizza, fish or spaghetti.

"It stinks," said Heather Kaytsons, 17. And the sentiment is shared by many of her classmates.

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ARIES

Mar. 21-Apr. 19

Be leery of anyone offering you a once-in-a-lifetime investment opportunity. Investigate all financial ventures thoroughly before turning over any of your hard-earned cash. If a deal is too good to be true, it probably is.

Evening hours this week are ideally suited for fun-filled activities.

Now's also the right time for planning for the upcoming holiday season. An early start can mean a more relaxed you when the great gala time for everyone else.

TAURUS

Apr. 20-May 20

Think things out very carefully before offering to help someone out of a devilish situation. You could wind up looking very foolish if your solution turns out to be unworkable.

The week will have its ups and downs, but be alert — you may have the opportunity to enjoy the company of others when you least expect it.

This week is also an ideal time for putting an end to any squabbles between you and a work colleague, because you'll be more understanding.

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Your Lucky Lottery Numbers

Readers all over the country are using Countess Sabah's Lucky Lottery Numbers to help them win big bucks. You will find the Countess' Lucky Numbers right here each week to help you become a Winner, too! To find your Lucky Numbers, simply look them up under your birth sign in the chart below. For extra luck, throw in your birthdate.

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Cancer	June 21 – July 22	10, 23, 28, 29, 40, 45	Capricorn	Dec. 23 – Jan. 19	7, 11, 21, 26, 34, 39
Leo	July 23 – Aug. 22	1, 7, 14, 17, 23, 41	Aquarius	Jan. 20 – Feb. 18	1, 3, 10, 24, 26, 45
Virgo	Aug. 23 – Sept. 22	4, 16, 23, 31, 33, 34	Pisces	Feb. 19 – Mar. 20	6, 14, 19, 23, 33, 37

GEMINI

May 21-June 20

It's time to get parent authority behind you and go on with the task at hand. Your support, guidance and encouragement will eventually give you the results you rightly demand!

A petty squabble with a loved one could almost turn a heartbreaking conflict. But your Gemini sensitivity may enable you to work out a compromise acceptable to all.

A wild fling at the weekend could be just what the doctor ordered. Make every effort to have a blast, but remember limits for rest.

CANCER

June 21-July 22

The week ahead appears headed for a sound return supporters of putting parents in your life. Only do your natural psychic talent to make positive the results of work but you headed in the right direction. Leave nothing to chance!

Petty difficulties, at home or at work, may have you pulling your hair. Try your best to remain cool.

A touch of gaiety and pleasure are in the cards that be tasty. Lady Luck has been known to deal from the bottom of the deck.

LEO

July 23-Aug. 22

Leo's outgoing, friendly nature breaks the ice at a gathering. Today soon, everyone's smiling and gabbing as if it were a family reunion.

An overly aggressive stranger may try to start trouble with you. Play it cool. Pull back and let the jerk carry the ball for a while and get the hostility out.

Take advantage of a sudden opportunity that may present itself at the end of the week.

Spending a day with loved ones or friends would be wise this weekend.

VIRGO

Aug. 23-Sept. 22

Picky, picky Virgo goes in hot water with pals. Don't be so demanding with friends. No one's perfect.

The week's work and an abundance romance will do you good. Stop running away from love and affection. Share any romance in a small idea now. Enjoy any moments with loved ones.

Your generous nature brings a smile and happiness to someone with the blues this weekend.

Take time for exercise and games. Let some of those chores sit. You can do them later.

LIBRA

Sept. 23-Oct. 22

Let the good times roll, Libra. This is the perfect week to relax and let your hair down with family and friends. The stars say it's not a good time to toil, so put tiresome projects on the back burner for a few days. You'll be able to attack them with renewed vigor very shortly. Meanwhile, have a ball.

Your personal life could take a surprising turn near the end of the week. Be prepared.

A gamble could get you in trouble.

SCORPIO

Oct. 23-Nov. 21

Stop, look and listen, Scorpio. There's trouble brewing behind the scenes, and you could land right in the middle of it if you don't watch your step this week. Keep your nose to the grindstone and don't let others lure you into their scandalous deeds.

Something you see on TV or hear on the radio could be the key to a financial windfall. Pay attention.

A loved one may need help with a serious problem before the week is out. Don't let him (or her) down.

SAGITTARIUS

Nov. 22-Dec. 21

It's a great time for daydreaming this week, provided you avoid overburdening yourself with elusive hot dollars. Set realistic goals and stick to them, leaving time to spend with friends or just relax by yourself.

Be extravagant this week. Your stars indicate this is a good time to invest your money. Perhaps this is the week for that major purchase you have been putting off.

Take pity on others less fortunate than you. Every good deed you do will come back to bless you.

CAPRICORN

Dec. 22-Jan. 19

Trust your feelings of optimism and confidence, Capricorn. Your planets indicate you will achieve an important goal soon, so proceed with your plans.

A person of the opposite sex has developed a crush on you, but will not act on it. You are at a time of peak personal magnetism now, with Venus heavily influencing your life.

Have you forgotten something? An unfinished project could bring you trouble in the next few days.

If your birthday is this week . . .

The year ahead promises to be one of the most rewarding of your life, with love and money coming your way when least expected.

Friends and family members may shock and surprise you with their erratic behavior, but in the end you'll see that everything they've done was for your benefit. Luck is with you in games of chance — don't be afraid to take a few risks!

Travel can be most fulfilling throughout the year. Plan at least one long trip of as all possible. Overnight guests and long weekends away from home will be fun.

AQUARIUS

Jan. 20-Feb. 18

Your patience may be put to the extreme test this week. Control your temper. Blowing up won't solve anything and it could be harmful to your health.

A pleasant surprise from friends or family could unpick your life this week. Pay special attention to dates. Check your calendar.

Your good generosity is catching up with you. Someone may repay you for a kindness you have long forgotten. Don't ignore phone calls and send all mail quickly.

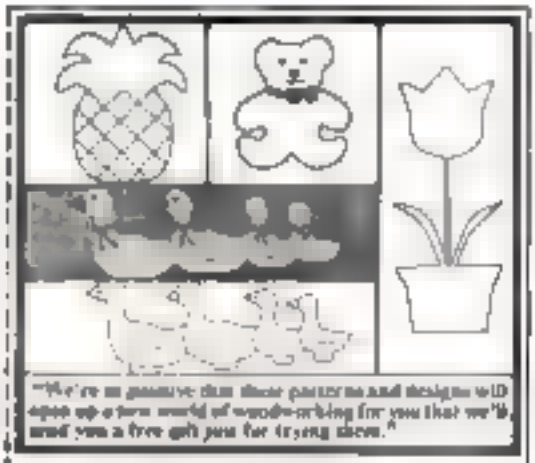
PISCES

Feb. 19-Mar. 20

Your natural Pisces tendency toward pessimism may save you a lot of grief this week. It is wise to be cautious in affairs of the heart.

If you're feeling down in the dumps this week, buy something new — not expensive, but new. If that doesn't make you feel better, talk it out with someone.

You have much warmth and comfort to give to others but that isn't always a two-way street. It bothers you when others seem cold and unconcerned. Learn to handle it.



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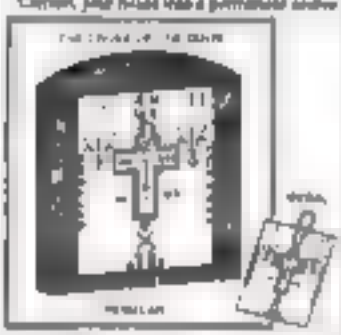

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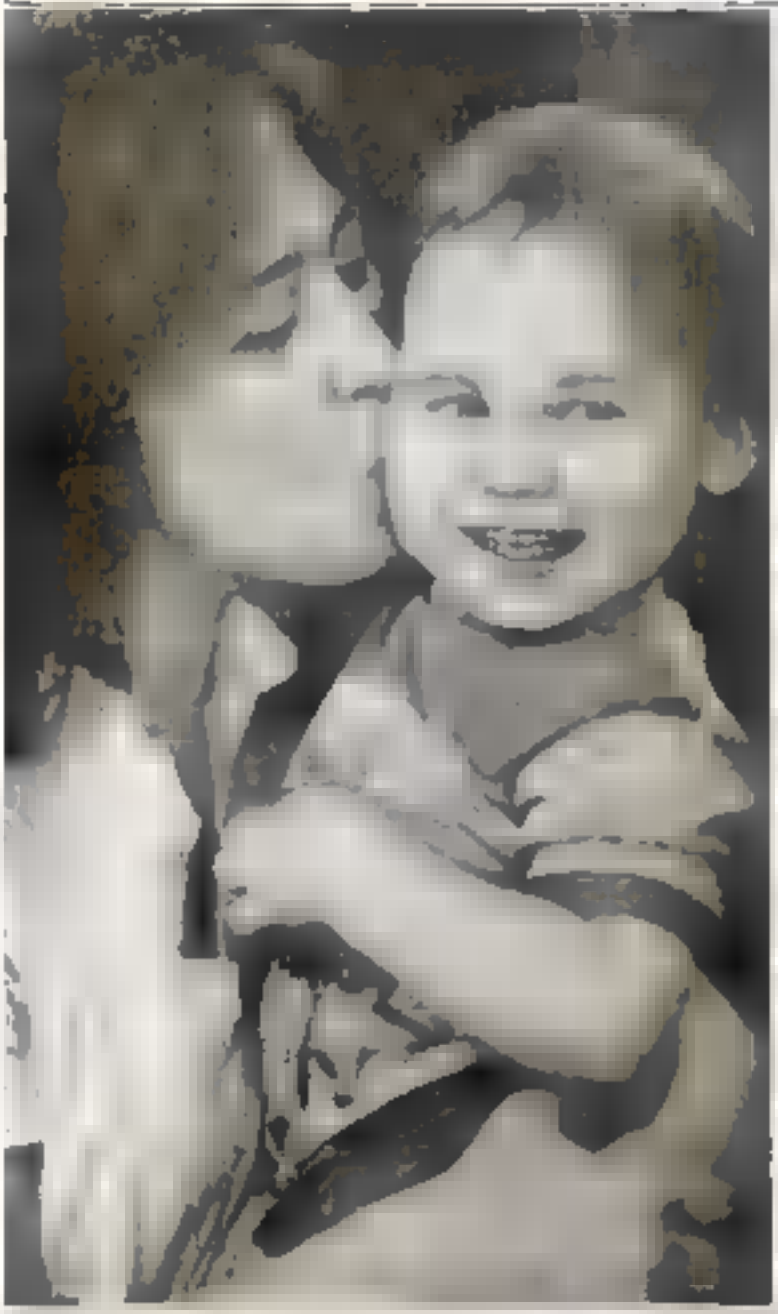
Brave mom rebuilds her life after tragic fire wiped out her family



Back from the ashes

BY SUSAN JIMISON

Four years ago a raging fire robbed Linda Schroeder of everything she loved: her husband Tom, her five small children and her home.

But the tragic blaze couldn't destroy her will to survive and rebuild her life in memory of the family she lost.

Today Linda, 35, dedicates her spare time to reaching children near her home in Elyria, Ohio, with information on how to escape a fire in their homes.

"If I were one kid, my kids and my husband won't have died in vain," she told The NEWS. "I'm trying to get the message to kids not to hide from fires like my children did."

Brave Linda has tried to put tragedy behind her. Her second son was just three to 10 hours old when her family died. She began to date again and although she has not found any man to equal Tom, fortune blessed her with another child — a boy named Joshua, age 2.

He's a handful, but he fills the emptiness," Linda said proudly. "He's now the love of my life.

I never thought I could have another child, but he is a great comfort to me. He has the same bright blue eyes that all my other kids had."

The nightmare fire that changed Linda's life came on March 8, 1984.

Linda had awakened, given the alarm and then passed out. Her husband apparently dropped her out the window where she was overcome by smoke. Then Tom died while trying in save his children. For Linda, the loss was horrifying.

"Words cannot convey the grief and utter desolation I felt," Linda said. "I was widowed, childless and horribly alone. Nothing seemed real. It was as if part of me wanted to join my departed family.

"But I went on because Tom wouldn't have had it any other way. I did it for him. I had to put my life in the proper place — the past."

Linda still treasures the photographs of her lost children, still visits the grave where her family is buried, still pines for the husband she married when she was 17. But she can go on now, she says. She can face the future.

"I'm not a strong person," she confessed. "I've had my ups and downs. But Tom is still in my life, what he taught me I still carry with me.

"Somewhere in the center of my being, I find the strength to deal with my memories and each time I do it I feel a little

Bill members of Linda Schroeder's family died from smoke inhalation in tragic fire.

She lost 5 kids and her husband

BRAVE Linda Schroeder has started a new life with son Joshua, 2.

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Startled Steve leaped from the tent armed with a blowgun — and was greeted by a chorus of laughter from

Cops hunt stinky thief

A shop in Hexner, England, was robbed of $750 by a scruffy thief who witnesses said "smelled strongly of manure."

Police have not yet caught the stinky crook.

Littlest guy on earth says . . .

I'm looking for a big mama!

By RAFI KLINGER

The world's smallest man, Gul Mohammad, is fed up trying to fend for himself with his stumpy little arms and legs — so he's looking for a six-foot wife to take care of him.

"It's hard to be a dwarf," sighed the pint-size, two-foot-plus male who scrapes out a meager living selling bite-size pieces of candy at a store in the teeming marketplace of New Delhi, India.

The 18-year-old Gul isn't in the record books yet, but this slight oversight is sure to be corrected. He shatters the standard of the current world's shortest man as listed in the Guinness *Book of World Records*.

Nelson de la Rosa, a 19-year-old imp from Santo Domingo, in the Dominican Republic, presently holds the world's tiniest title. But Nelson, at a runty 28½ inches, towers above 23-inch Gul by a whopping 5½ inches.

And being a teen, Nelson could grow while the adult-aged Gul is a shrimp for life.

Despite his little stature, Gul's life has been big on hardship. It's not easy being the size of a fire hydrant in today's world.

His legs are so stubby that he can barely get around and long walks are out of the question. And his arms are so short, he can't reach his head to give himself a shampoo when bathing.

That's why Gul wants a tall woman for a wife. He needs her to take him about and care for him as if he were a baby.

"I want to marry someone who is 6 feet tall so that she can carry me around, feed me and give me a bath," he said.

"I do not want to live on the charity of my relatives forever."

Being no larger than an average-size pooch, Gul has had many close calls in his short life. One of the closest was when the circus came to town. The boss spotted Gul and immediately thought of what a great sideshow attraction the pipsqueak would make. He offered Gul's family nearly $10,000 — a fortune in India — for the runt, but luckily, it was no sale. His family loved the cuddly Gul too much to part with him.

"I would have gladly agreed to let Gul work in the circus but to have him forever to something impossible," said his uncle, Kanwar Hussain.

"But who will marry him?" sighed Uncle Hussain. "The problem is that Gul wants a normal-height woman, not a dwarf like him.

"Maybe one day when he is famous someone will come and offer him her hand.

"But she's got to be tall."

GUL poses with his carnival-size cousin Ahmeddon outside their tiny candy shop.

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MEET THE WATER

PITIFUL Ingrid Smith can't stop guzzling water, even though it's doubled her weight in the past year.

By JOE BERGER

Potbellied belle Ingrid Smith has packed 168 pounds of flab on her stocky frame in a single year — by gulping down an incredible 15 pints of water a day!

"I'm always thirsty, so I have to drink all the time," enormous Ingrid, 29, told reporters in Cannock, England.

"But no matter how much water I drink, it doesn't seem to satisfy me. All it does is make me fatter and more miserable," she whimpered.

"This whole thing is like an awful nightmare that won't go away."

Doubly-pounded doctors admit they don't know what turned the meaty miss into a human sponge or why her nonstop swilling caused her to balloon from 118 pounds to a whopping 330 pounds almost overnight.

"We've taken her to specialists all over England and they're just as baffled as we are," said her mystified mum Mary.

"We know she's got to be retaining most of that water because that's the only sensible explanation for what's happened to her.

"She only eats one meal a day, so that's not making her fat. But nobody seems to know how or why the water is doing that to her body.

"It's a tragedy and it's driving us all crazy."

And her frantic dad Basil says the family is terrified that Ingrid is literally drinking herself to death.

"Our daughter is swelling up like a blimp right in front of our eyes and there is nothing we can do about it," said the puzzled pop.

"She's so big now she can barely move around, and I don't know how much longer all this can go on. It's destroying her — and it's tearing her mother and me apart at the same time.

"It's gotten so we can't think of anything else."

Amiable Ingrid was a very normal young woman till about a year ago, her mum says.

"She was a happy-go-lucky lass with a big smile and an active social life," Mary Smith recalled.

"She was always on the go, shopping and doing all the things most girls her age do.

"She seemed to have everything going for her."

Then the unlucky lass got hooked on tap water — and her life hasn't been the same since.

"My mouth started feeling dry all the time and I drank

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Gal gulps down so much H_2O she's ready to POP!

BEFORE her bizarre water addiction began, Ingrid was a normal looking young woman with an active social life.

...ped a real craving that I ...couldn't control," overstuffed Ingrid told reporters.

"And I still can't control it. It seems I have a water glass in my hands almost round the clock.

"Even though all this water ...s bad for me, I'm really powerless to do anything at all about it.

"I have no social life at all now because I'm too busy for any man to fancy.

"And I don't want to go out anywhere where I can't get my hands on a glass of water. It's really dreadful.

"If I keep getting bigger, I don't know where it all will end," Ingrid moaned.

But Ingrid's devoted dad says they'll shuttle the dumpy damsel from one doctor to another till they find one who can help her kick the sip water habit.

"We don't want our daughter to be the only woman in history who ever drank herself to death on water," he said.

Mechanic swears he drank gas, not booze

By JACK ALEXANDER

Bachelor mechanic Barry Joe Raynor swears he wasn't hooked on booze when a cop nabbed him for drunk driving — he'd been guzzling gasoline.

A Breathalyzer needle showed his blood-alcohol level was .33 percent — well above the legal level of .1 percent when he was arrested in Sandpoint, Idaho.

"But that was because I'd been siphoning regular unleaded gasoline from my gas tank to the carburetor and swallowed some of the stuff," Barry Joe, 23, told a jury.

To prove his point, Barry Joe had his lawyer bring an ounce of unleaded regular gasoline to the Bonner County jail, and he drank it.

"Twenty minutes later the Breathalyser showed his blood-alcohol level was .31 percent — three times the legal limit," said attorney Jonathan Cottrell.

Barry Joe didn't get the mileage he expected from the jury. They were impressed but not convinced he wasn't a wee bit more than tipsy when the cops arrested him. They found him guilty of drunk driving.

The officer had taped Barry Joe's arrest and played it to the jury. "They could hear him screaming and cursing the officer," said Cottrell.

"Barry Joe claimed he siphoned gas from his car and poured it in the carburetor to get the car started," said Cottrell. "He swallowed about a half cup of gasoline."

Attorney Cottrell said he was amazed gasoline would have such an effect on a person's blood-alcohol level. Gasoline is blended from natural gas and petroleum.

Barry Joe, who could be fined $300 and jailed for 10 days, is convinced he got a raw deal.

"They've convicted another innocent person," he said. "I'm not too happy about it."

Sons keep marriages together

By ALEX JACKSON

Married couples with sons are less likely to divorce than those with daughters, says an amazing new sociological study.

An analysis of 1990 census data reveals sons appear to make marriages more stable, according to sociologist Dr. S. Philip Morgan of the University of Pennsylvania.

In two-child families, couples with two daughters have a greater divorce risk, followed by couples with 1 son and 1 daughter. Couples with only sons had a better shot at a lasting marriage.

Children generally make a marriage more stable because the father's commitment increases.

Mothers felt close to both sons and daughters, but said their husbands definitely were closer to their sons, say researchers at Temple University.

Boys interviewed by researchers admitted their dads spent more time with them than with their sisters. Fathers also helped sons more than daughters in decisions about their daily lives.

Society's expectations reinforce father-son relationships, but inhibit father-daughter relationships, says Dr. Morgan.

A father is more likely to play basketball with his son than help his daughter pick out a prom dress.

Parents often admit less marital satisfaction after having a child, but their relationship is strengthened by emotional, legal and financial commitments.

Childless married couples

Wife who forgave shooting stabbed by hubby, cops say

An Atlanta man stabbed his wife to death a year after she kept him out of jail for shooting her twice in the head, say cops.

After the shooting incident, Ramon Favors, 28, told a jury that her husband, Michael Favors, 32, injured her accidentally and she helped him get acquitted.

Coyotes prey on humans

Kill-crazy coyotes who have lost their fear of humans attacked six helpless Canadians in one week alone.

In the most chilling incident, an 18-month-old Edmonton girl was literally ripped to shreds. It took 300 stitches to close her wounds. "The coyote has lost its fear of people," said Mike

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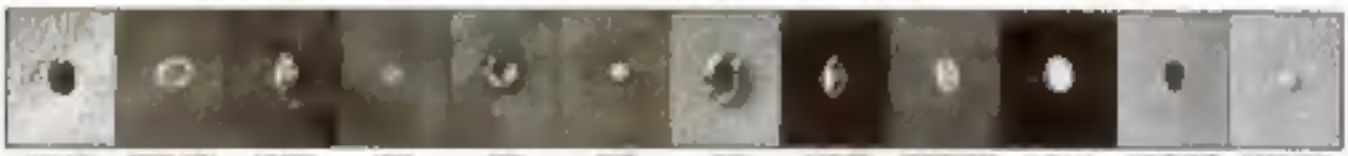

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